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SHANGHAI FLIER'S SILENCE. FEAR OF MISHAP ENTERTAINED.

NON-ARRIVAL AT FORT BAYARD.

Fears are entertained that Mr. Edward Ford, the young British amateur flier, who is on his way from England to Shanghai on a second-hand Gipsy Moth machine, has been forced down somewhere between Hanoi and Fort Bayard. He was expected in Hongkong this morning, but up to the time of going to press he had not put in an appearance at Kai Tak.

The airman, who took up flying while on Home leave and decided to fly back to the East instead of coming by steamer, left Hanoi yesterday morning for Hongkong via Fort Bayard.

Up to this time to-day, no news had been received of his arrival at Fort Bayard, and this suggests the possibility of his having been forced down whilst on his way thither.

Mr. Ford took off from Lympe on March 23rd and made good progress until, six days later, he ran into a snow-storm in Greece and crashed, his machine being rather badly damaged. Fortunately, he managed to scramble out of the plane unhurt.

Before setting out on his arduous adventure, he had only spent some sixty hours in the air, and he had hoped on arrival in Shanghai to sell his machine to the Chinese Government.

70 REBELS ROUTED.

PORTUGAL'S WAR IN MADEIRA.

"BRILLIANT ACTION."

Lisbon, Apr. 27.

Portugal's "little war" against the Madeira rebels came to a speedy termination to-day after what is described as "fighting by land, sea and air."

The Expeditionary Force under Captain Correira, the Minister of Marine, commenced operations to-day which resulted in the rout of the rebels by the Government forces.

Seventeen of the rebels were captured, and the Government troops captured and dismantled the insurgents' wireless station.

An official communique from Funchal, from the commander of the Expedition, states:

"The Portuguese Expeditionary Force landed to-day ten miles from Funchal and put a party of seventy rebels to flight. While the guns of the Portuguese warships supported this brilliant action, Portuguese aircraft silenced the rebels' artillery."

Early this month, a Military Junta was formed at Funchal. It guaranteed the food supply of the 200,000 inhabitants of the island, and seized for this purpose three Portuguese steamers to trade with England.

All the local authorities were replaced by the Military Government. The garrison, with the approval of the civil population, overthrew the Civil Government, and demanded the re-establishment of public liberty, as laid down in the Republican Constitution.

It also demanded the abolition of exile without trial, of ill-treatment of political prisoners, and of the censorship, and urged the return to free elections.

Among the leaders of the movement were members of Portugal's Army, who were decorated for services in the African wars.

MR. SNOWDEN'S EMERGENCY BUDGET.

Fortune For a Bookmaker.

Awarded £266,000 of Grakle Prize.

DUBLIN ACTION.

London, Apr. 27.

The Dublin High Court has ordered the payment of £266,043 to Mr. Arthur Bendir, a London bookmaker, the leader of a London syndicate who paid Mr. Emilio Scala £10,000 for three-quarters of the Grakle ticket in the Irish Hospitals Sweepstake on the Grand National.

The money which is being paid out of Court represents three-quarters of the first prize of £354,544. Scala's share is about £200,000.

Mr. Bendir's counsel, making the application to-day, asked that the payment be made without prejudice to any question arising in the action between the other parties, and suggested that, if necessary, Mr. Bendir should be added as a defendant in the future trial.

The order was made with the consent of all parties and the remaining money will be invested pending the result of the action against Scala.

One of the claimants, Mr. Tony Apicella, a hairdresser, of Dean Street, Soho, has already received £3,000 as the seller of the winning ticket. He claims part of the actual prize-money under an alleged agreement.—*Reuter*.

IMPRESARIO'S SUICIDE.

LOSSES ON STOCK MARKET.

New York, Apr. 27.

Mr. London Charlton, who retired from active business life some little time ago after enjoying a position for many years as one of the best-known managers of musical artists in the United States, committed suicide to-day, shooting himself with a revolver.

His friends believe that the act was brought about by worry over heavy losses on the Stock Market.

Mr. Charlton was 61 years of age, and during thirty years as a concert manager in New York, he introduced Nordica, Sembrich, Stanley, Melba, Kubelik, Gabrilowitch, Novas, Pionizsky, Toscanini, and the La Scala Orchestra to the American public. He married Miss Helen Stanley, the opera singer, in 1917.—*Reuter's American Service*.

ELECTRIC PLANT FOR RUSSIA.

TECHNICAL EXPERTS FROM BRITAIN.

London, Apr. 27.

An agreement has been signed between the Soviet Government and the Metropolitan Vickers Electrical Company whereby the latter will provide expert technical assistance for a plant to be built in Russia by the All-Union Electro-Technical Combine.

The plant will extend to the largest capacity required for the generation and distribution of electricity and will be employed in connection with the Soviet's five-year plan of industrial development.—*Reuter*.

NAZI CHIEF TAKEN AT HEADQUARTERS.

ESCORTED TO BERLIN BY DETECTIVE.

Berlin, Apr. 27.

Herr Goebbels, the leader of the Nazis in Berlin, has been arrested at Munich (Hitler's headquarters) for contempt of court owing to his failure to attend the trial of certain Nazi actions in Berlin.

He has left for Berlin accompanied by a detective.—*Reuter*.

DEBT REDUCTION POLICY TO BE MODIFIED.

RAID ON EXCHANGE ACCOUNT TO CUT DOWN DEFICIT.

Hopes From Recommendations of the Economy Committee.

REDUCED REVENUE EXPECTED.

CONFRONTED BY an almost superhuman task, the preparation a financial statement in a period of financial depression, with a heavy deficit to meet and an even heavier deficit anticipated, Mr. Snowden has produced a remarkable emergency Budget, at a cost, mainly, of further persistence in strenuous attempts to reduce the net volume of the National Debt.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has decided against raising any new revenue at all, except in one direction, the petrol tax. All other principal taxation remains at the level of last year, and an estimated deficit of £37,000,000 is partly to be met by a raid on an Exchange Fluctuation Account in New York, from which £20,000,000 is to be withdrawn. The Chancellor foreshadowed legislation for a Land Value Tax to be imposed when the valuations have been completed.

In the coming year, he anticipated an increase of nearly £3,000,000 in Death Duties, a decrease of £3,000,000 in income tax, an increase of £4,000,000 in Stamp Duties. The Customs and Excise Duties are expected to produce a smaller yield.

AGREES WITH MR. GLADSTONE.

London, Apr. 27.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer was cordially received on all sides of the House when he rose to open the Budget Debate in his first speech since his long illness.

The House agog with expectation, anticipating dramatic announcements, fearing new taxation, waiting for the development of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's cryptic statement last week that "something may arise," was destined to receive a statement quite different from that anticipated.

The only increase proposed in taxation is one of 2d. to the 4d. a gallon tax on petrol, the estimated revenue from this source in the current year being £7,500,000. Against this, there was set a reduction in the tax on light motor-cycles from 30/- to 15/- which is not expected to result in any notable loss of revenue.

Mr. Snowden's Review.

In his review of the income and expenditure and debt operations in the year 1930/31, Mr. Snowden said the figures revealed an Ordinary Revenue of £776,895,000 and an Ordinary Expenditure of £782,341,000, the expenditure being in excess of the Estimate by only £5,446,000, which had been made possible largely by savings on debt interest and management, and other items.

Nevertheless, he pointed out, after adjustment with the Sinking Fund, the total short-fall was £23,276,000.

Net Result a Surplus.

The net result on the last year, however, said Mr. Snowden, was a surplus applicable to debt reduction of £43,500,000, and apart from that there was a sum of £9,000,000 received as the proceeds of the German Mobilisation Loan, which had also been attributed to debt reduction outside the Budget.

In reality, there was a surplus of income over expenditure, and "it says much for the soundness of the national financial position that after a year of unparalleled financial depression we have not only been able to pay our way, but

to make such a substantial reduction in debt.

He announced that he was making no direct addition to the fixed debt charges which would be £565,000,000 as laid down by the Finance Act of 1928.

He confidently expected that as the outcome of the recommendations of the economy committee appointed, considerable reductions in expenditure would be made during the current year to go automatically to debt reduction.

It was also possible that during the year, conditions in the money market would be favourable to considerable debt conversion operations.

Although in favour of every possible effort to reduce the national debt, he held Mr. Gladstone's view that in times of desperate depression and unemployment, it is better to use our resources to stimulate trade than to make undue sacrifices for the purpose of reducing the debt.

Mr. Snowden estimated the yield from Inland Revenue at £437,000,000, made up as follows:

Income Tax £248,000,000.
Surtax 72,000,000.
Death Duties 90,000,000.
Stamp Duties 24,000,000.
Other Items 3,000,000.

He hoped that the depression, which upset all expectations last year had reached its limits and that better things were in store, but it would be a little time before the tide had definitely turned before the Revenue would feel the benefit.

Customs Decline.

He must, therefore, he said, face the probability of a further decline in the Customs and Excise Revenue, which he estimated at £228,000,000, a drop of nearly seven and a half millions on last year's revenue.

The consumption of alcoholic liquors fell last year and he had estimated for a further fall in this year. This fall seemed to be of permanent tenancy and from the point of view of the nation's

well-being, was to be heartily welcomed.

The estimates of Ordinary Revenue amounted to £762,000,000, nearly £2,000,000 above the actual yield of the corresponding item in the Estimates for last year, but £7,000,000 below the Estimates for last year.

The addition of the £4,000,000 remaining in the Rating Relief Suspense Account brought a total revenue, on the basis of existing taxation, of £766,000,000.

Hope for Economies.

On the Expenditure side, Supply Services accounted for £439,000,000, but he hoped, in view of the appointment of the Economy Committee, that the actual expenditure would fall considerably below it.

Of the fixed Debt Charge of £355,000,000, he had to allot £302,900,000 as interest and management, leaving £52,100,000 available for the Sinking Fund.

The total estimated expenditure was £803,360,000, and the estimated revenue £766,000,000, leaving a margin on the wrong side of £37,360,000 which he had to find from other sources.

Making Up Deficit.

£20,000,000 of the money would be secured as an appropriation from a sum of £33,000,000 created in New York as a Dollar Exchange Account to balance sharp fluctuations in exchange, but which was no longer necessary.

£7,500,000 would accrue from an immediate increase in the petrol tax from 4d. to 6d. a gallon.

Another £10,000,000 would be derived by an alteration in the system of income tax collection. The existing rate of taxation would not be increased, but 75 per cent. would be payable on January 1, and 25 per cent. on July 1, instead of two equal instalments as at present, thus bringing an extra quarter into the 1931-32 revenue.

The balance sheet for the year, therefore, would be:

Revenue £803,500,000.
Expenditure £803,360,000.

Income Tax Machinery.

He also announced that he was proposing a change in the machinery for the collection of income tax, which would place the collecting service under a single undivided control as recommended by the Royal Commission.

He was taking steps to reintroduce the Finance Bill to enable present holders of Savings Certificates to make an extension of their investment, and to provide power for a loan to meet certain costs connected with debt conversion.

In order to encourage the manufacture of a new type of light motor-cycle being rapidly developed on the Continent, he proposed that the annual tax on vehicles not exceeding 150 c.c. capacity should be limited to 15/- instead of 30/-, as at present.

Land Tax.

Mr. Snowden appealed for co-operation and the elimination of unnecessary expenditure, in order to avoid additional heavy taxation.

He proceeded to announce the initiation of a scheme of taxation of land values, which when it became operative—not, however, this year—would be at the rate of a

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Epoch-Making Invention.

Increase of Flying Radius.

NEW AIR-ENGINE.

Berlin, Apr. 22.

An epoch-making invention, which experts describe as promising a veritable revolution, was finally tried out by the Junkers Aeroplane Works to-day at the Tempelhof Field Aerodrome here, following a large number of experiments at the Dessau Works of the Company.

It is a new aeroplane motor named "Jumo 4" which will enable a plane fitted out with it to increase its flying radius by 47 per cent. as compared with that attainable by using the ordinary motor and carrying the same weight of fuel.

Besides, the cost of fuel used by the new motor is 65 per cent. lower than that of the present one. The danger of the plane catching fire when crashing is practically eliminated, which not only makes flying much less dangerous but also leads to a substantial reduction in the insurance rate.

Professor Junkers, the veteran aeroplane constructor, personally presented this latest achievement of his Dessau Works to the assembled representatives of the authorities, aviation companies, scientists, engineers and the press. The work of fitting out at first freight planes and then passenger-planes, too, will be immediately started, but it can already be said that the tests so far made leave no doubt as to the practical advantages and the enormous advantages of the new motor.

GAR WOOD FAILS ONCE AGAIN.

FALLS SHORT OF HIS OWN BEST.

Miami Beach, Apr. 27.

Commodore Gar Wood, the American speed boat expert, is nothing if not persistent. He made another attempt to-day to beat Kaye Don's water speed record of 103.49 miles, but failed. Miss America IX averaging nothing better than 101.66 miles an hour.

This performance is not so good as his effort a week or so ago, when in six vain attacks on the record, he fell only slightly short of 103 miles an hour.

After Miss America IX had made three runs to-day, engine trouble developed again, and further efforts had to be abandoned.—*Reuter's American Service*.

ATTEMPT ON SIDKY PASHA.

SEVEN YEARS FOR "MAN WITH AN AXE."

Cairo, Apr. 27.

Mohamed Hussein Taher, the so-called "Man With an Axe," who was arrested in August last in connexion with a plot against the life of Sidky Pasha, the Prime Minister, was to-day sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.

Taher, a well-educated Berber, was found, armed with an axe, in the corridor of a train outside the compartment in which Sidky Pasha was travelling to Cairo from Alexandria.

The prisoner, a draughtsman employed by the State Railways, was educated at Gordon College, Khartoum, and his father is a well-known supporter of British rule.—*Reuter*.

ITALIAN EXPORTS TO RUSSIA.

NEW AGREEMENT SIGNED YESTERDAY.

Rome, Apr. 27.

A new agreement has been signed between Italy and Russia providing for Italian exports to Russia this year valued at 850,000,000 lire.—*Reuter*.

AN ALLEGED ERROR OF \$360,000.

CHOA PO-SIN'S OVERDRAFT.

BANK'S MOTION IN APPEAL COURT.

ONUS OF PROOF.

That the contents of a bank's passbook are *prima facie* evidence against the bank, and that in the event of a mistake the onus is on the bank to set up a case of error, were points which were dealt with by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., in the Court of Appeal this morning, when the action between Choa Po-sien and the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation was resumed.

Plaintiff (Choa Po-sien) mortgaged securities to the bank to secure an overdraft and the bank claimed that owing to an error between the former comptroller and a cashier, certain amounts totalling \$360,000 were credited to Choa, leaving his overdraft at \$139,000 odd.

The bank claim that, when the erroneous credits have been wiped out, the overdraft amounts to \$500,000 odd, this being the true amount. This, however, is denied by Choa, who admits an overdraft of \$139,000.

Question of Onus.

On the issue, which was discussed in Chambers, Mr. Justice Wood ordered that the onus was on the bank to start proceedings, but the bank are appealing from this order before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Lindsay), alleging that Choa should be the plaintiff.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley, is for appellant (the bank), while Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, is for respondent (Choa Po-sien).

No Question of Mistake.

Continuing his address this morning, Mr. Potter said it was not a question of a mere correction of accounts, but if the bank had made a mistake in crediting plaintiff with \$360,000, it was up to the bank to establish, to the satisfaction of the Court, that they were entitled to have that money returned to them. There was, he submitted, no mistake about the credits, as the bank intended to give those credits. They were in fact given, the money being credited and then drawn out, as evidenced by the statement of accounts which was filed on the direction of Mr. Justice Wood.

Counsel went on to say that they could not recover the money merely because they were under the mistaken notion that they were entitled to it. Once it was admitted, as it was on the face of the statement of accounts, that the credits had been received and the money paid out, in the bank's own books, there was no scope for alteration of the accounts.

The reversal of entries by Mr. Bigger amounted merely to an expression of his own view that that was what the position ought to be, in view of information which was supplied to him by a cashier in the comptroller department, Li Chung-tai.

Onus Not on Plaintiff.

Dealing with authorities on the point, Mr. Potter said that the statement in a customer's passbook was *prima facie* evidence against the bank, but, if an error was made, they were entitled to bring evidence to disprove it. That was the position in the present case. There was no onus on plaintiff to prove payments in, and the bank could not achieve anything by merely making a reversal of entries, as they could set up a case, such as a mistake, and bring evidence to prove it. The onus was, therefore, on them to commence the proceedings, if they wished to hold plaintiff liable.—*(Continued on Page 8.)*

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SLANDER IN A FILM.

ECHO OF A SHANGHAI COUPLE'S ROMANCE.

A fine of \$400 was imposed upon Mr. Jen Sih-val, manager of the motion picture company bearing his name, and a fine of \$300 imposed upon a director of the company, Mr. Chen Tui-min, by Judge Chien Zung-chung in the Shanghai District Court, Nantao, for producing a film allegedly slandering the step-mother and brother of the leading lady of the picture, Miss Wu Ah-yung.

Action against the manager and director was taken by Mrs. Wu and her son. A third party, stated to be a photographer of the film company, also was named but was acquitted.

The case is an echo of the love affair of Miss Wu and her mother, Jimmy Lin (now her husband) in 1929, and which attracted wide attention in Chinese circles. Miss Wu and Lin met in 1923, fell in love and eloped in the autumn of the same year. Lin was arrested by officers of the Bureau of Public Safety at the request of Mrs. Wu. He was tried, convicted and sentenced to serve six months on a charge of seduction, but the sentence was suspended.

Mrs. Wu received another blow when the couple married, after sentence had been pronounced. Chinese social circles were astounded and outraged but the tinsel-spangled professional world of make-believe applauded.

After their marriage it occurred to the young couple that in order to live they must earn money. They set out to earn money, both joining the Shih-vid Motion Picture Company. Success came to them. They were made leading players in a film called "Mute Lovers." The picture depicted the home life of Miss Wu and set forth that she had been ill-treated by her step-mother.

The picture, it is reported, is based on the actual life and experiences of Miss Wu and her young husband. Mrs. Wu saw the picture and was not at all pleased. She and her son filed private criminal action against officials of the concern and applied for an injunction to prevent the screening of the picture. Following the judgment notice of appeal was filed. Both men were released on bail.

OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MR. W. W. FOX YESTERDAY.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. W. W. Fox who passed away yesterday morning, after a long illness, in his residence, No. 5, Ying Kai Terrace, Cause Road.

The late Mr. Fox was 64 years of age and was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School. After serving a few years in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. he took up the profession of a school master, to which he devoted practically the whole of his working life. A few years ago, he was appointed Assistant Master of King's College and this position he held at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife and seven children, including Miss K. Fox, who is also on the staff of King's College. Mr. W. A. Fox, Secretary to the Hongkong and Kowloon Cinema Co., Ltd., and Mr. H. L. Fox, assistant manager of Messrs. H. Scott & Co. and to them much sincere sympathy is extended.

The genial disposition and kindness of nature of the deceased earned for him a large circle of friends. The funeral has been arranged to take place this afternoon in the Protestant Cemetery; the cortege passes the Monument at 6 p.m.

Paris, Apr. 27.

Prince Chaudaburi, former Siamese Minister of Finance, and a brother of the King of Siam, has died here.—Havas.

INTERESTING BANK ACTION.

COUNSEL'S ARGUMENT ON CREDITS.

That no bank could recover sums of money credited and paid out to a customer on the mere reversal of accounts, was emphatically pleaded by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., during yesterday's opening of the civil court action between the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation and Mr. Choa Po-sian, regarding a settlement of accounts dealing with the redemption of securities by the latter.

The present action is an appeal being heard by the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp), and Mr. Justice Lindall, against an order made in Chambers by the Acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood).

The appellant (defendant) was the bank, represented by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. E. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings, Denny and Bowley, while the respondent (plaintiff) was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.

Judge Not Wrong.

Arguing on behalf of respondent, Mr. Potter submitted that their Lordships would not be able to say that Mr. Justice Wood was wrong in holding that the bank should start the proceedings as to whether it was a matter of law or fact, the onus was on the bank to establish the position which they were seeking to establish in their affidavit. Counsel pointed out that respondent, wishing to redeem his securities, asked the bank for an account and worked out the amount himself at \$139,000 odd. When the bank's account showed he owed \$500,000 odd, he took out an originating summons and asked for a settlement of accounts.

Referring to the fact that amounts were credited to respondent, when no cash had been paid to support them, counsel said that once the money had been drawn out the onus was on the bank, and always remained on the bank, to set up some case, such as a mistake or whatever it might be, to show they had the right to get that money back. It was not a question of respondent proving payments in and so forth.

There were five entries totaling \$566,000 credited to respondent's account, leaving a balance due by respondent of \$139,236, which he claimed to be a true balance.

Mr. Potter added he would show that those credit entries must stand and could not be altered by the manager (Mr. D. M. Biggar) merely making a reversal in the bank's own books. The sum of \$139,000 odd had been tendered, and it was up to the bank to show that the other credit entries could be got rid of. They were stated to be due to extensive frauds committed by a former comprador, but the onus was on the bank to get rid of those items.

Cause Not Stated.

There was no error in law. What the bank had done, it intended to do and it was nothing to do with them. Mr. Sheldon had not yet formulated the ground on which the bank was entitled to recover the five lakhs. They had merely said that an entry was wrongly made in the first instance. They had not yet been told of the cause of the action.

The accounts submitted to the Court were but a copy of the Bank's books. It showed that \$356,000 had been credited to Mr. Choa, and \$359,000 had been debited in drawings. Mr. Potter submitted that could not be recovered by a mere reversal of entry. The bank admitted the crediting and drawings-out. How were they going to get the money back? Not by any reversal of accounts. Their only way was in the decision of the trial Judge that the money was due to them on any count which they were able to establish. Yet the Court had, up

A SPECIAL KILLED.

A TRAGIC ERROR IN SHANGHAI.

Identification of a man shot down and killed by Shanghai Settlement police in pursuit of robbers on Nanking Road near Thibet Road as a special policeman created a sensation in the Public Mortuary.

Shen Chit-ling, who identified the dead, as his son, Shen Yun-chieh, 22, employed by Arnhold and Co., and at the same time a member of the Special Police, declared that lawyers had been engaged to file suit against the Police.

Verdict Against Police.

When the inquest was ended Coroner Quo returned the verdict: "The late Shen Yun-chieh died of bullet wounds inflicted by police, who mistook him as a robber during a gun battle between policemen and robbers."

The deceased received 10 bullet wounds to his body, and at the time of his death wore a gray hat and gray coat, which according to plain-clothes policeman 184, represented exactly those worn by one of the robbers.

Running Fight.

The gun battle took place at 10.40 o'clock Wednesday night in the wake of a shoe store robbery at 1986 Sinza Road. Plain-clothes policeman 184 followed the robber to Thibet Road, where the shooting affray started as the gang cut short the police activities.

The gun battle soon reached Nanking Road and then toward the east near the corner of Lloyd Road, as the robbers took to their heels, firing as they ran. At this point Shen, who was returning home from the Louza Station after night duty as a special policeman, was made the target of the police bullets. He was killed almost instantly.

The deceased was the second son of the Shen family, native of Nanzhang and was single.

SIR WM. HORNELL.

PRESENTED WITH LETTERS PATENT.

At a meeting of the Court of the University yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Governor presented the Vice-Chancellor, Sir William Hornell, with the Letters Patent conferring upon him the title and dignity of a Knight Bachelor.

to the present not been told what form of action was being taken. The position was that the Bank had not only credited Mr. Choa with sums of money but had itself acted in faith of these credits, and had not only cashed the cheques, but the overdraft had been regulated by the credits items and interest charged him in debit.

The reversal of accounts was of no use, for it effected no legal liability. The position was that it was open to the Bank to prove the facts alleged in Court, and if the facts constituted an offence (which his client denied), the necessary claim could be made, and the Bank was entitled to take relief accordingly.

Banker's Position.
Once bankers had credited one with sums of money in the books, and once those sums had been paid out, that money could not be recovered by a simple alteration in the books. That money could only be recovered by establishing an appropriate cause of action against the person.

What Mr. Biggar should have said was "I have credited items to you, which you have drawn, but I find that those entries were wrongly credited." That was Mr. Biggar's position. No matter of reversing accounts would do. There was only one way they could be reversed in law, and that was by the customer agreeing to the reversal, and admitting there had been a wrong entry.

The proceedings were adjourned.

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Photo taken in Shanghai outside Holy Trinity Cathedral after Miss Edith Frances Brock's marriage to Mr. George A. Johnston.



Major E. P. Howard the American Trade Commissioner for Aeronautics in the Far East, stationed in Shanghai.



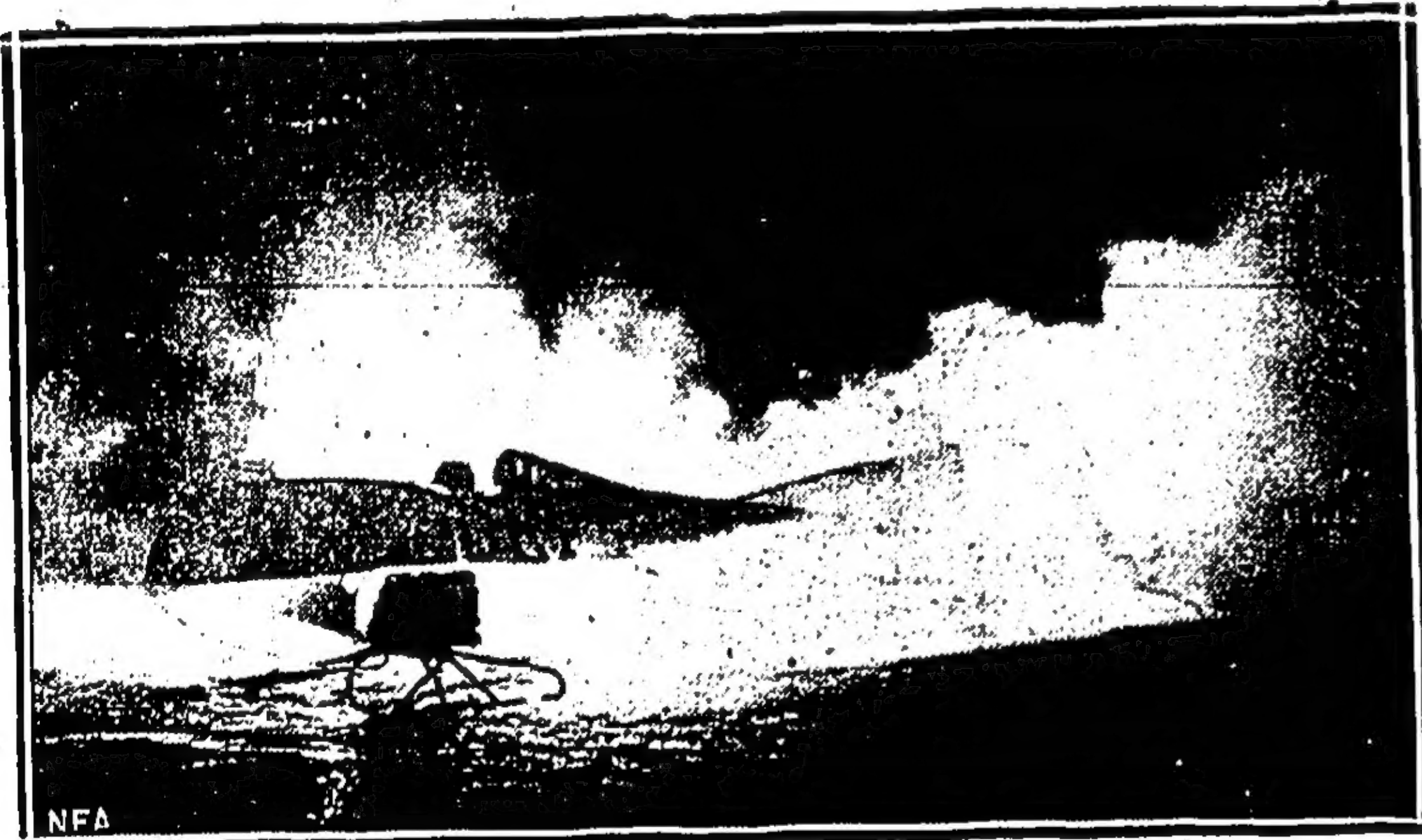
Mrs. E. P. Howard, the newly appointed American Trade Commissioner to the Far East.



The football team of the Shanghai Municipal Police carried all before them this season. They beat Hongkong in the Police Interport, won the Shanghai Senior League competition, won the Senior Cup, and also the Skottowe Cup.



Mlle. Ostrovsky, Soviet crack pilot, who is to attempt aeronautical records in the near future.



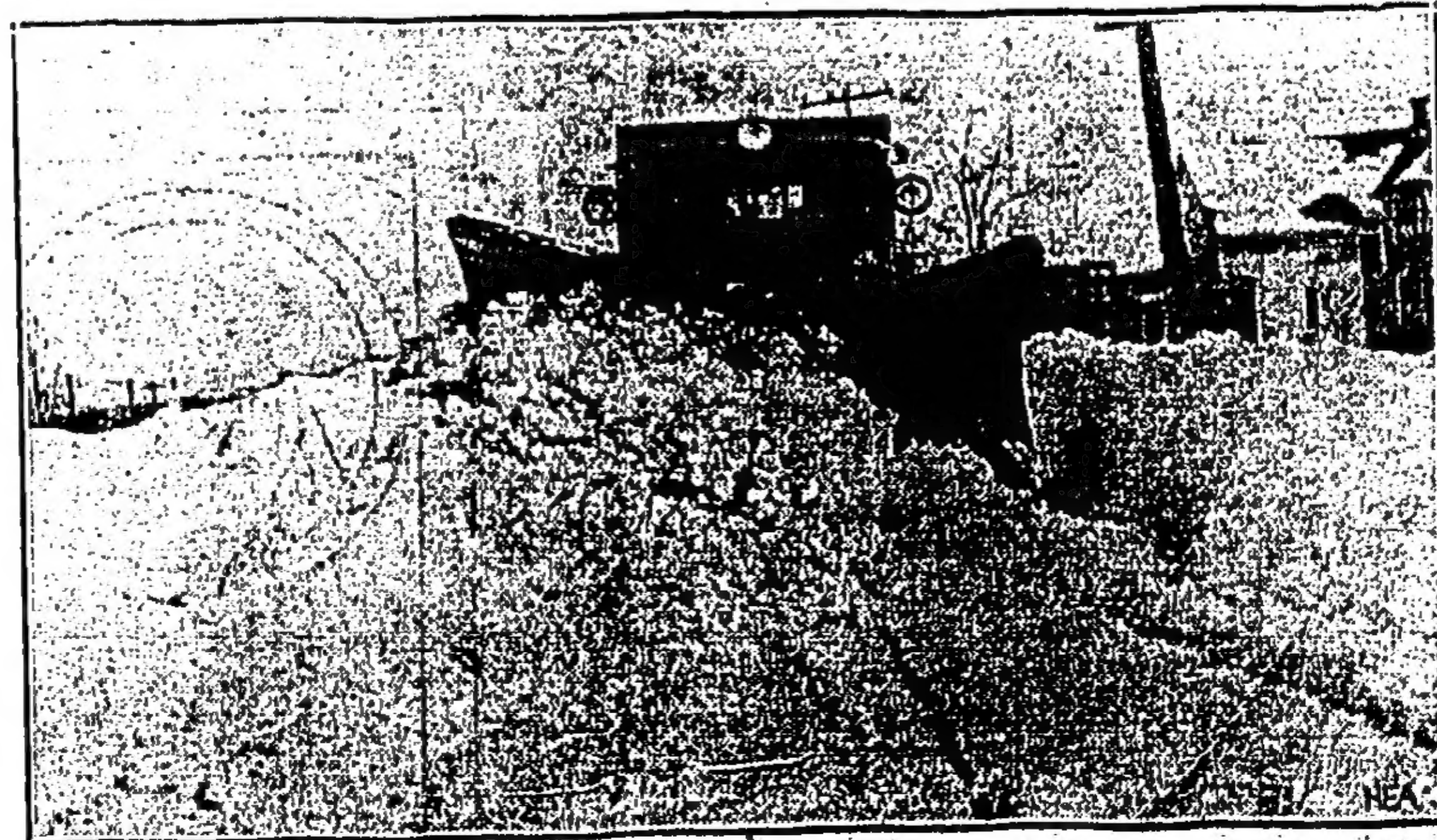
In a flame and smoke, a home-made rocket sled was speeding across the ice of Oneida Lake, near Syracuse, at 75 miles an hour when this striking night photo was taken. The driver and builder of the unique \$22 vehicle was Harry W. Bull, 21-year-old Syracuse University student. The machine traveled 50 feet in two-fifths of a second and then stopped short in slushy snow.



Smiling Miss Dolphine Reynolds just before taking off on her flight down the West Coast of Africa.



Messrs. Otto-Hillig and Holger Holcis (right) with the plane in which they propose an Atlantic flight shortly.



After an almost snowless winter, the whole of the mid-western section of the United States was buried under a blanket of March snow as deep as 15 inches. This huge plough, cutting a path in the outskirts of Chicago, shows how cities dug themselves out, but many rural sections were badly tied up by the storm.

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705, 709, 720, 722, 727, 729, 732,
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Fifteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 19th May, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1930.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 5th to the 19th May, 1931, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
LIMITED.

General Agents,
Hongkong, 28th April, 1931.

HONG KONG GENERAL
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on MONDAY, the 4th MAY, 1931, at 4.45 p.m. in the OFFICES of the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, to nominate a Member of the Chamber to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes as representative of the Chamber on the Legislative Council.

In compliance with Bye-Law 30, notice in writing of the Names of Candidates and their proposers and seconders must be lodged with the Secretary at least 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

By Order,

M. F. KEY,

Secretary,
Hongkong, 27th April, 1931.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fourth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 2nd May, 1931, commencing at 2 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed. No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$3 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all chits, &c.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary Badges (limited to ONE) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2 including tax, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted half price.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, &c. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary,
Hongkong, 25th April, 1931.

NOTICE.

Bill of Lading No. 118 issued by the China Navigation Co. (Managing Agents, Butterfield & Swire), covering 46 packages containing paint shipped per s.s. "Sulyang" made out to order destined for the Port of Hongkong dated the 30th of March (both original and duplicate) have been lost and same are to be considered null and void.

RENEGADES
COMING?

PORT WORKS DEPARTMENT OF MACAO.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 1st June, 1931, at 11.00 a.m. in the Port Works Department at Macao, the Committee appointed by the Government (O Juri a que se refere o artigo 12 do Regulamento Geral da Missao de Melhoramentos dos Portos) will receive bids, by public auction, for the purchase of the dredger "Carlos da Maia" in good working order with all gear and fittings, but without coal and oil.

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Breadth 25' 0"
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Propelling speed 7 knots.

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THREE CYLINDERS.

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Maximum dredging depth 38 ft.
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Buckets capacity 400 litres

CONDITIONS OF SALE.

- 1.—Bids shall be made by sealed tender, addressed to the Committee referred to, not later than 11.00 a.m. on 1st June, 1931, and the lowest bid that will be acceptable is \$80,000.00 (Dollars eighty thousand) Hongkong Currency.
- 2.—Every bid, to be acceptable, shall be accompanied by documentary proof of the deposit having been effected in the Macao Branch of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino of the sum of \$2,000.00 (Dollars two thousand) to the order of the Committee.
- 3.—Bids, which should be made in Dollars of Hongkong Currency, will be opened on the 1st June, at noon, at the Port Works Department, in the presence of the Committee referred to above and all those bidders who may be present. In the event of an equality of bids, there will be public auction between such bidders whose sealed bids may have been equal.
- 4.—The Committee reserve to themselves the right of refusing to accept any bids or of annulling the auction, if it should not be found convenient to accept the bids offered.
- 5.—The bidder to whom the dredger shall be sold shall pay the total sum of his bid within three days, i.e. not later than noon of the 4th June, 1931. The Committee reserve to themselves the right of refusing payment by cheque. If the successful tenderer should fail to pay the sum referred to in this clause he will forfeit the deposit made, which will then revert to the Government.
- 6.—After the adjudication or in the event of annulment due to non-acceptance of bids made, all deposits of guarantee shall be refunded to bidders.
- 7.—The handing over of the dredger to the successful tenderer shall be made in the Outer Port of Macao, as she stands, with all gear and fittings, but without coal and oil.

The dredger is open to inspection from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. daily from the 10th to the 31st May, 1931.

MARIO DE CAMPOS NERY,

Secretary.

Port Works Department of Macao, 24th April, 1931.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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From EUROPE AND STRAITS.

The Steamship,

"DAKAR MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 5th May, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.00 p.m. within the free storage period. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Hongkong, 28th April, 1931.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on Wednesday, the 29th April, 1931, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at No. 5A, Luna Buildings. A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture On View from Tuesday, the 28th April, 1931. Terms:—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$2020 a. Chartered Bank, \$141½ n. Mercantile A. and B., \$23½ n. East Asia \$120 b.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$1400 n. Union Ins., \$630 b. China Underwriters, \$4.80 a. China Fires, \$625 b. H. K. Fire Ins., \$1200 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$22½ b. H. K. Steamboats, \$27½ b. Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$40 n. Union Waterboats, \$35½ n.

Mining.

Benquet \$9½ n. Kailans, 25/3 n. S'hai Explorations, Tls. 5/¼ a. Raubs, \$38½ n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, 165 s. Whampoa Docks, \$28½ b. South China Motors \$10 n. China Provident, \$6.90 b. Hongkew, Tls. 300 b. New Engineers, Tls. 6.10 n. Shanghai Docks, Tls. 108½ n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cotton Tls. 14½ a. S'hai Cotton Tls. 105 b. Zoong Singa Tls. 11¼ b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. K. Land 90½ a. S'hai Land Tls. 39 b. Humphreys, \$16¼ n. Realities, \$11.80 s.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18.40 b. Peak Trams, (old) \$14½ n. Star Ferries, 93½ b. China Lights, \$27 b. H. K. Electric, \$79½ b. Telephones, \$54 n. China Buses, Tls. 18.20 n. Singapore Traction, 6/6 n.

Industrials.

China Sugars, 80 cts. n. Malabons \$39 n. Canton Ices, \$3.60 b. Cement (Comb.) \$18.80 s. Ropes, \$18½ sa.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$27 b. Watson, \$14.3 b. Der A. Wings, \$1 n. Lane Crawford, \$5.90 b. Mackintosh, \$20 n. Sinceres, \$14½ b. Powells, \$4 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$26½ b. Construction, 7¼ b. B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 69½ % b.

STABILISATION
Warning.

The Public Letter to
THE CURRENCY MISSION
in Favour of
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RADIO NOTICES.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this. Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Des
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	April 29.
Japan	Nellere	April 29.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C. 12th Apr.)	Emp. of Russia	May 1.
London parcels (London 26th March)	Sarpedon	May 1.
and Straits	Terukuni Maru	May 1.
Japan and Shanghai	Katori Maru	May 2.
Europe via Negapatam (letters and papers, London 2nd April)	Pres. Lincoln	May 2.
Manila	Katori Maru	May 2.
Straits	Pres. Harrison	May 2.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 3rd Apr.)	Pres. Cleveland	May 4.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 10th Apr.)	Tanda	May 6.
Australia and Manila		

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	Tues., Apr. 28, 3 p.m.
Straits	Lyceum	Tues., Apr. 28, 3.30 p.m.
Salgon	Sham Chih	Tues., Apr. 28, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Cremer	Tues., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
Formosa	Tripiti	Tues., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
Hohow and Pakhoi	Tchekam	Tues., Apr. 28, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia	Chichibu Maru	Wed., Apr. 29, Registration Apr. 28, 5 p.m. Letters Apr. 29, 3.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco 20th May.)
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Perseus	Wed., Apr. 29, 12.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 31st May.)
Fort Bayard	Sun Kong	Wed., Apr. 29, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Tainan	Wed., Apr. 29, 3.30 p.m.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Apr. 30, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 30, 3 p.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	Fri., May 1, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., May 1, 2 p.m.
*Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane	Nellere	Fri., May 1, Registration Apr. 28, 5 p.m. Letters Apr. 29, 3.30 p.m. (Due Brisbane 18th May.)
Manila	Emps. of Russia	Fri., May 1, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Terukuni Maru	Fri., May 1, K.P.O. Registration Apr. 28, 5 p.m. Letters Apr. 29, 3.30 p.m. G.P.O. Registration Apr. 28, 5 p.m. Letters Apr. 29, 3.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 28th May.)
Japan and Victoria B.C.	Tyndareus	Sat., May 2, 10.30 a.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 26th May.)
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Victoria B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Lincoln	Sat., May 2, Registration Apr. 28, 5 p.m. Letters Apr. 29, 3.30 p.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 19th May.)
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Katori Maru	Sat., May 2, 3.30 p.m.
Hulchow	Hulchow	Sun., May 3, 8.30 a.m.
Foochow via Swatow	Kaying	Sun., May 3, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hozan Maru	Sun., May 3, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Haiyang	Tues., May 5, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kalyan	Sat., May 9, K.P.O. Registration May 8, 4.30 p.m. Letters May 9, 8 a.m. G.P.O. Registration May 8, 5 p.m. Letters May 9, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 6th June.)

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

NEW YORK CIVIC
SCANDALS.MOVE TO EXPEL MAYOR
WALKER.

New York, Mar. 31.
A crowd which filled the Carnegie Hall and overflowed into the street voiced its protest last night against the corruption of the New York city administration and heard Mr. John H. Holmes predict that within 100 days the city would rid itself of Mayor Walker and reorganise the municipal government.

Speaker after speaker condemned the civic scandals at the meeting, held under the auspices of the City Affairs Committee which filed the charges demanding Mayor Walker's removal.

Mr. Holmes pictured Tammany, which had hitherto laughed, sneered and scoffed, as now terrified, hoping to obtain public pardon by confession of guilt and promises of reform. Mr. Holmes referred to Mayor Walker as "a small little man" sobbed by the charges against him, cutting short his holiday, but returning to be received by "gang politicians, social vulgarians, speakeasy gangsters and Tammany Hall racketeers."

DUKE'S FAMOUS CUP
TO BE SOLD.MAY HAVE BEEN USED BY
THOMAS A'BECKET.

A cup with a fascinating history—the Howard Grace cup, owned by the Duke of Norfolk—is to be sold at Christie's on May 12, with the consent of the Duke's trustees.

The cup, which is 12½ inches high, is also known as the "Thomas a Becket" cup, on account of the initials TB and an engraved mitre. But the silver-gilt mounts, pearls, garments, and surmounting figure of St. George and the Dragon are typical of the date shown by the hall-mark for 1525-6. Originally the cup was a simple foot-shaped piece of ivory, with a plain circular lid.

Various antiquaries have agreed that it was probably presented or bequeathed, in unmounted form, to Catherine of Aragon, an ardent Catholic, by Howard, the Lord High Admiral. Becket might have owned the cup, in keeping with the custom of reserving a drinking vessel for strictly personal use. He was canonised, and the cup would thus receive great veneration.

When Catherine obtained it, she probably had it enriched as it now is, in keeping with its saintly importance. Her badge—a pomegranate—appears four times, together with the TB and mitre. Subsequently, it was restored to the Howard family.

In 1929 it was one of the chief exhibits in the Silver Exhibition arranged by Sir Philip Sassoon, and it was also shown in the Sea-ford House exhibition.

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IF CHRIST CAME BACK—

SURPRISE PICTURE FOR
ROYAL ACADEMY.

The problem picture of this year's Royal Academy is likely to be one bearing the challenging title:

"My Lord I meet in every London lane and street."

The artist is Mr. Mark Symons, of Kidmore-road, Caversham, Reading, whose picture, "Were you there when they crucified my Lord?" caused much controversy at the Academy last year.

He has submitted a picture of similar type this year, and for the title he has taken the words of Richard le Gallienne, quoted above.

Mr. Symons explains, "My picture represents our Lord teaching modern people in a modern town," said Mr. Symons. "The group beside him consists chiefly of his followers, with St. Peter and St. John on either side."

"On Christ's left hand are several Pharisees holding Bibles, and arguing. On his right is the young man who asks what he must do to be perfect. Our Lord is saying 'I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.'"

"On one side a sick child is being carried out of a motor-car to be brought to Jesus."

"A child in the foreground is taking off her shoes, a symbol of following Christ. In the foreground on the right a group of Pharisees are plotting together."

Shopped and a Statue.

"In the background are school children, men digging up the road, women shopping and a statue of a public benefactor."

"The street is largely planned from Broad-street, Reading, but with many alterations to suit the picture."

Practically all the people in the picture are in modern garb, and Mr. Symons said many of the faces were those of people he had seen. The statue is that of Mr. George Palmer, at one time M.P. for Reading.

It is one of the few statues in the world in which the benefactor depicted has a high hat and carries an umbrella.

A traction engine and motor-cycles are included in the picture. Mr. Symons says his pictures are not problem pictures, and he had no intention of making them such when he painted them.

A VILLAGE SCHOOL TRAGEDY.

LOCKED-UP PUPIL DIES OF
FRIGHT.

The report comes from Poland that at the village school at Korowice, near Pulawy, a boy of eight was punished by the girl-teacher by being locked into a dark room. Though the child began to cry and entreated the teacher to release him, she returned to the schoolroom and continued her lessons.

When about noon the children were dismissed, she had forgotten about the boy. Some hours later his mother appeared at the school to inquire about him. Only then did the teacher recall the incident, and when the two women went to the dark chamber they found him dead of fright.

The village population was profoundly stirred. The peasants made a demonstration in front of the school, smashed the windows, and broke into the rooms of the teacher with the intention of lynching her. She was so badly frightened by the crowd that she committed suicide.

**RENEGADES
COMING!**

WOMEN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Dainty Lingerie is Feature of New Paris Blouses.



Dainty new blouses follow the lines and feeling of the suit they accompany and make much of fine lingerie work for trim. Left: Distinctly modern is the fine embroidery and lingerie work on this blouse of sheer white georgette to be worn with the new spring tailleur. Right: This white crepe satin blouse harmonizes with the jacket it is worn under, featuring the same revers movement and the same basque.

YOUR CHILDREN.

(By Olive Barton.)

Sometimes it hard to get a baby to take something new besides his regular milk.

Of course since it has become a part of the regime to supplement the regular feeding with cod-liver oil and orange juice at a very early age, babies are more likely to accept new additions to their diet with philosophy.

But mothers still say as they have always said, "I just can't get him to take it." One mother complained just recently that her baby wouldn't drink water. "He pushes the bottle away the minute he tastes it," she said.

I don't believe she needs to worry, however, because, although it is a good thing for babies to drink plain water, they are getting a generous supply in their milk, for milk itself is a good many per cent. just that, regardless of the jokes about the pump.

But as the baby goes along and the doctor orders additional soups of vegetable juices, one small nose is likely to wrinkle at the sudden shock of a new taste and fling the bottle down, or the cup on the floor. What's this they are giving him? Nothing doing—the old dope was good enough for him!

Await Psychological Moment.

Now there is for this ticklish business, as for other affairs of state, a psychological moment, and that is when he is good and hungry and just before his feeding time. If he refuses it once, keep his bottle waiting, and don't give it to him until he takes the first food offered. Do not substitute the thing he wants for the thing he doesn't want.

You can't starve him, of course, but a little patience will usually win out. And if you win this time it is going to be easier and easier as time goes along and his diet must be still further increased, to get him to sample new and strange dishes.

One thing sure—he will never learn any younger, and if he is one of those people who doesn't want what he doesn't want when he doesn't want it, it is going to be increasingly difficult to make him new-food-minded.

They say that babies don't notice. Oh, don't they? Well, they notice things so much that they can tell the instant they look at you that something is in the wind. "I just know that Wilbur won't take this," is written all over his mother's anxious face, and Grandma's face, and Aunt Clara's face, and everybody's face.

"I'd hate to fool them," says Wilbur, and proceeds to stage a show when the cup of nice spinach-carrot-celery-asparagus broth is put to his lips.

The whole family should adopt a take-it-for-granted attitude and not gossip about the chances of his not liking it. Little pitchers have great big ears and eyes too, and another sense which we lack, "knowing" when something is about to be put over on them.

So be nonchalant and diplomatic.

HOSPITABLE TABLE.

A hospitable table of inland mahogany has a top composed of two slaps. Immediately these are opened an elaborate tangle rises automatically. This is fitted with three decanters, five tumblers, four liqueur glasses, a box for cigars or cigarettes, match stand, &c.

FASHION NOTES.

Lace Still Popular.

Lace for grace. Lace for beauty. Lace for the youthful spontaneity of the debutante, and lace for the dignity of the dowager. Lace for every hour of the day. Here is a fashion that will not be ousted. Each time we reach the conclusion that lace is old-fashioned we find that something has been done to put it back in the foremost ranks of style.

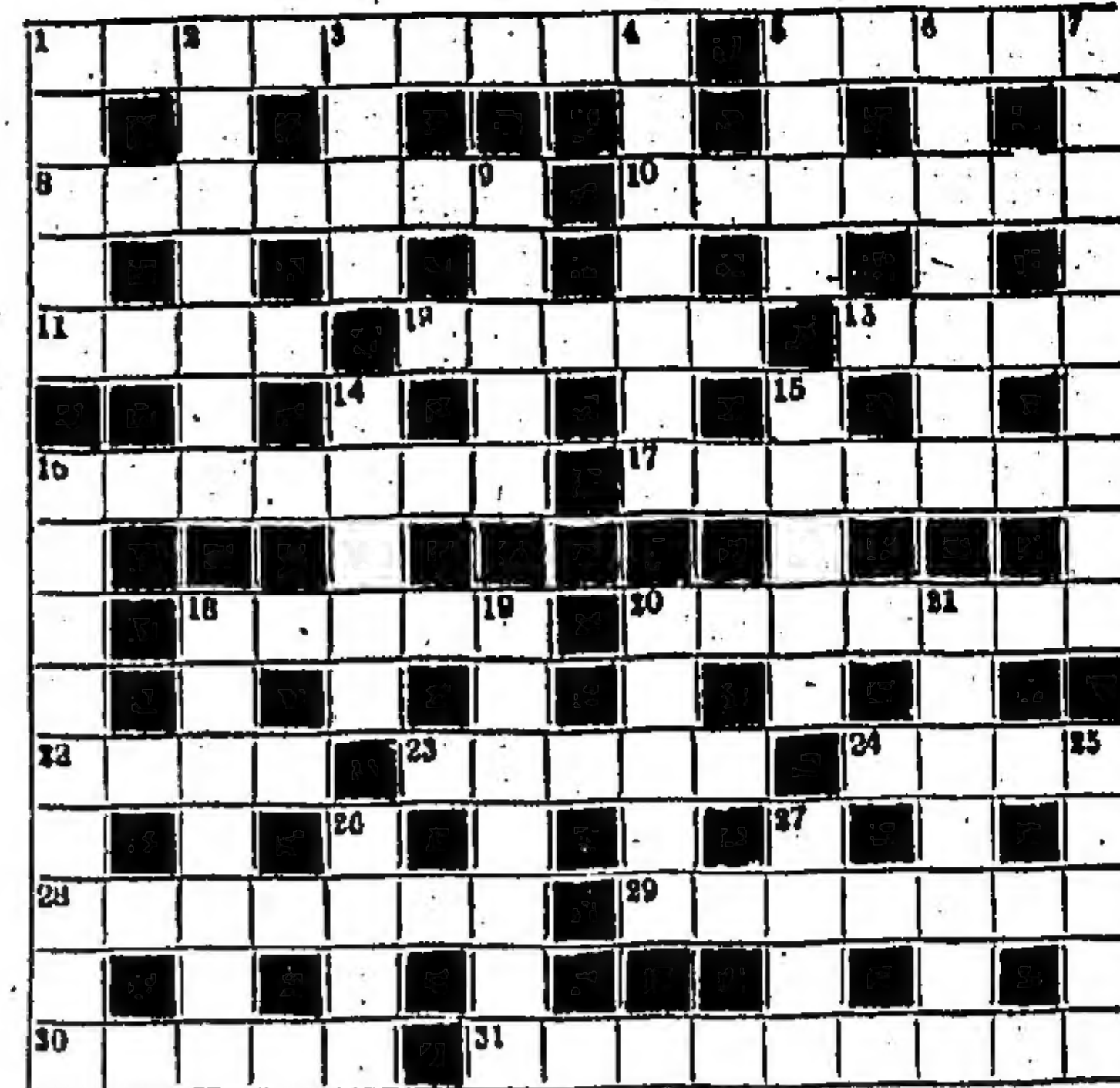
Stiffened lace is much used for tea-time frocks or the formal afternoon dress, whichever you choose to call it. A deep beige shade is attractive for this sort of gown, and one of the wide belts of brown velvet is a good trimming for it.

Add to this brown shoes, pumps, a brownish shade, and you have a costume at the very peak of fashion. We say brownish, not brown, for hosiery that is smart is never quite brown; it is one of those off-colour things in fashion.

Stiffened or starched lace is being much worn this season. A pastel blue starched lace dress worn by a young girl at the Bal des Petits Lits Blancs is worth a word of mention. The design in the lace was outlined with silver thread (a chance for the girl with clever fingers here), adding greatly to its beauty. The combination of metal effects and lace is a good one.

Pink lace embroidered in silver sequins made a glittering and graceful evening gown worn on the same occasion by a tall brunette, while a girl with a pink and white complexion and golden hair was seen in a ruffled lace gown, with each ruffle edged with gold thread embroidery.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across.

- Here a vehicle and a long range of hills are liable to explode.
- A table.
- Influence.
- An artist once contrasted this with impudence.
- Where cheese is its reverse.
- Turn aside.
- The task, I think, from personal experience, demands great efforts (hidden).
- Games that in pre-war days cost about three ha'pence a dozen containers.
- Turn out.
- This is fairly hard—there's a Greek letter.
- Relief—but it sounds harmful to a fruit tree.
- None will answer this correctly, I'm positive.
- May be quite a good lie.
- Pack away.
- This may be a mouth, but it does not, necessarily, hold a tongue.
- Pied.
- Fire old house, easily built by a Roman.
- To make this useful one must give it socks—or, at any rate, one.

Down.

- "Carve" (anag.).
- This may be a great drawback.
- Rise up at the back.
- The Cockney's brief description of Hobson's choice.
- Who caused the bear to be bulky?
- Although some of this is absolutely essential to the printer, on the whole it is of little value.

- Shakespeare's Pistol was one. He thought the world was his oyster, and was full of his subject.
- There is something darkish about the sound of these edges.
- In old-time warfare these were frequently made their own centre.
- Here is a catch.
- Again I mislead you.
- A man is back in this house before going on.
- Indulges in brush work.
- A sharpener.
- "Hang out our banners on the — walls." —"Macbeth."
- This might be narrow, but must not be so narrow.
- This rot is frequently quite amusing.
- Nothing but a lake.

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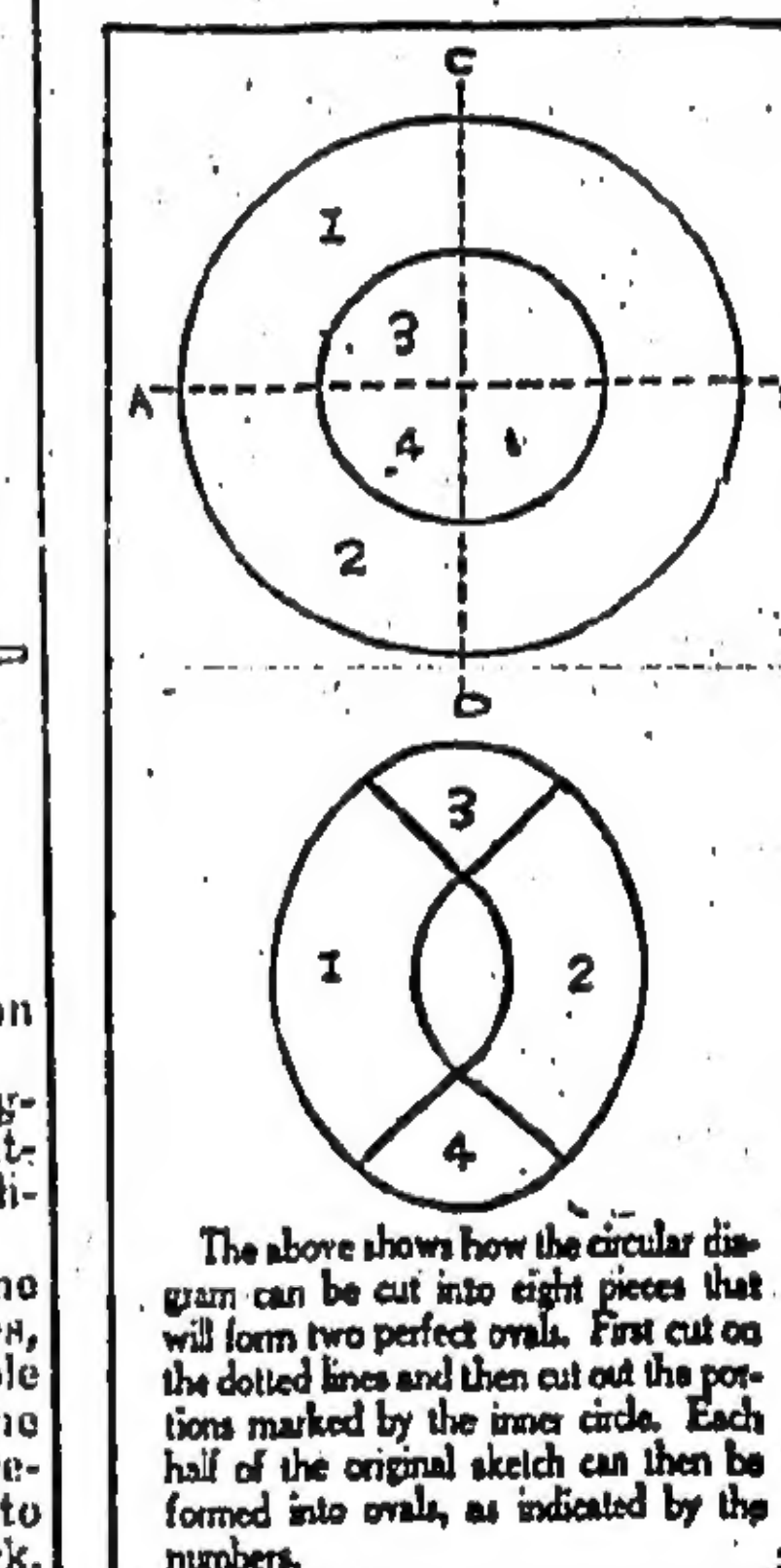
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Yesterday's Solution



The above shows how the circular diagram can be cut into eight pieces that will form two perfect ovals. First cut on the dotted lines and then cut out the portions marked by the inner circle. Each half of the original circle can then be formed into ovals, as indicated by the numbers.

14-GUINEAS MOTOR-CYCLE.

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The motor-cycle for the million has arrived. There will be on sale in England shortly an all-British lightweight motor-cycle at the astonishingly low price of £14 14s.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

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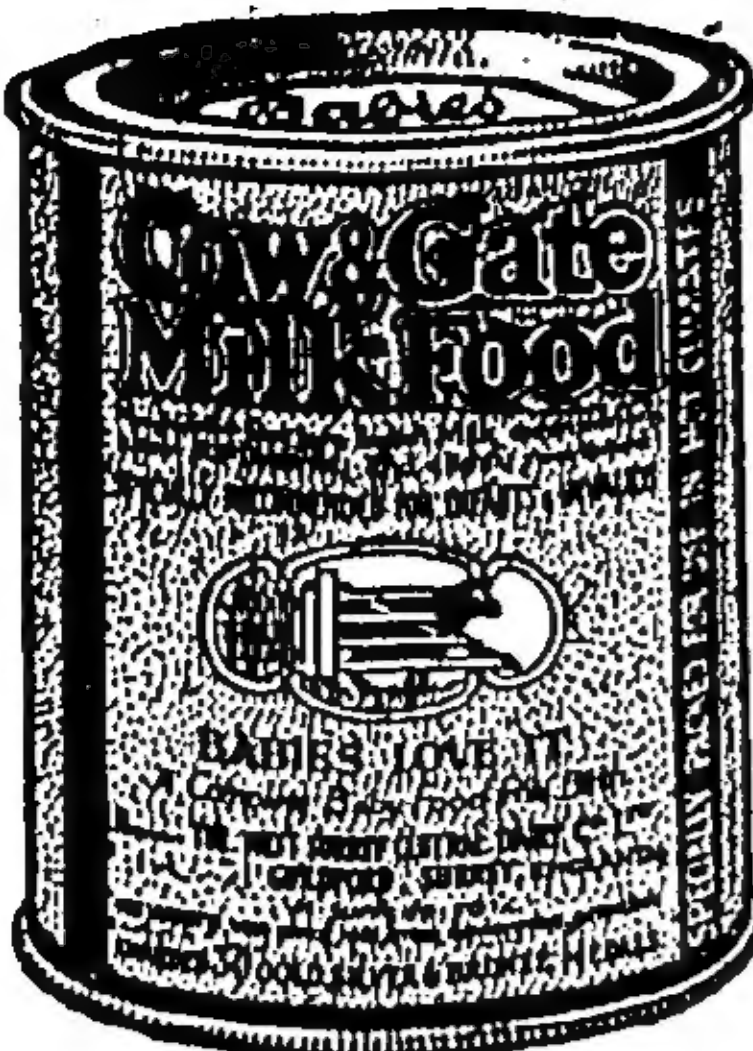
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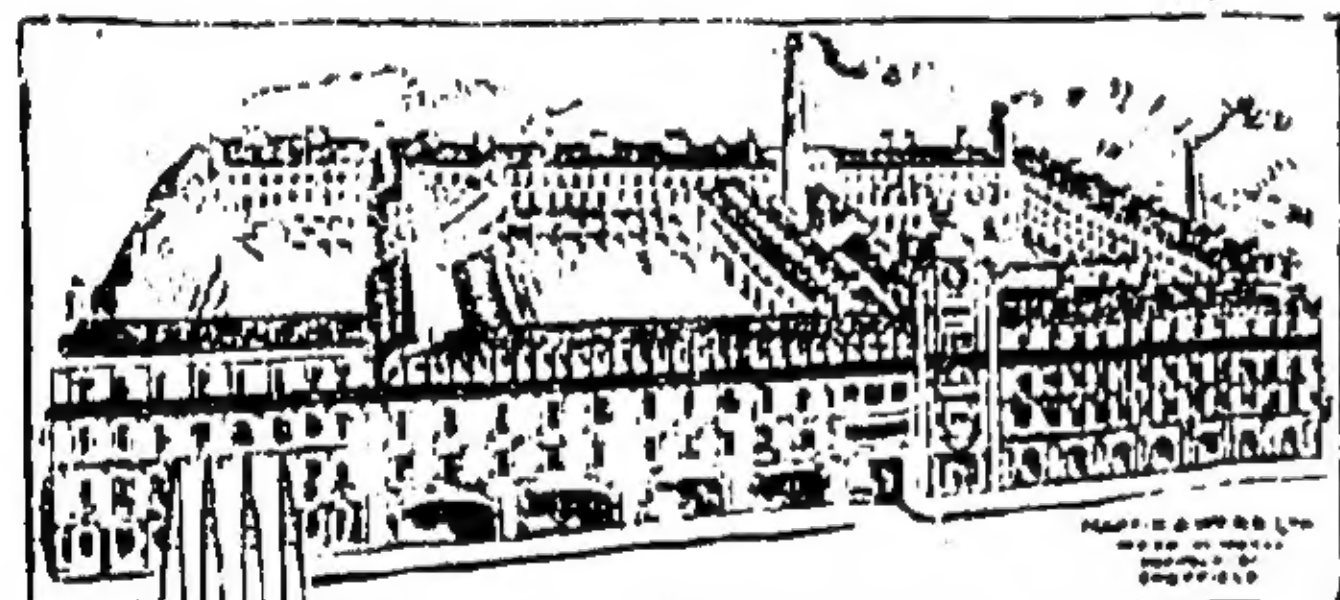
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**THE CURRENCY
CONTROVERSY.**

So much has been said and written about the Colony's currency problem that we hesitate to comment further on the subject. Indeed, but for the importance of the issue at stake, we should refrain from so doing. There has, however, been such a spate of correspondence on stabilisation lately that a few thoughts arising therefrom may not be altogether out of season. Unfortunately, the tendency on the part of correspondents to indulge in personalities, which is so often manifested in local controversies, has marked some of the effusions sent to the newspapers on this dollar question, a circumstance which cannot but be regretted by those who wish to see the issue fought out on its merits. Equally to be deplored are the efforts made to pour ridicule on concrete proposals put forward in all good faith.

In a matter of this kind, all the wisdom is not on one side; a recognition of this fact should suffice to restrain those who, in place of reasoned argument, employ the mediums of scorn and sarcasm. It may be that amongst the schemes put forward with a view to stabilisation of our currency there are some which will not stand the test of critical analysis. The object of the commentator on such proposals should be to attempt to prove their impracticability, and not merely to poke fun at the suggestions. The subject is worthier of more sincere treatment than that. If we are to have criticism, let it be of the constructive order. What is more, let the critics, both on the one side and the other, give those who differ from them credit for sincerity of motive. Those who assert that the advocates of stabilisation are animated by instincts of self-interest should realise that they are employing a double-edged weapon. They lay themselves open to a counter-charge of the same character, all the more so when so many of them stand to gain by a policy of non-interference with the Colony's sickle currency. Accusing others of selfishness, they cannot complain if they are given tit for tat. As we have said before, it is right and proper that the case for the general community, by which we mean the

average residents of the Colony, who go to make up the great body of ratepayers and taxpayers, should be brought to the notice of the Currency Commission. As the recent Census figures showed, more and more people are making Hongkong their permanent home. It is well, therefore, that in a matter of this kind, which affects the whole standard of living, consideration should be given to their particular viewpoint just as much as to any other section of the community. For this reason, we have welcomed the movement which has this purpose as its main object.

Of one thing the Colony may rest assured, namely, that it will receive a square deal from the Commission, the members of which are not likely to be swayed by special pleading on the one side or the other. The Commission has made known its willingness to consider both written and oral statements from anyone who feels disposed to put forward his views. Nothing could be fairer than that. The investigators, shrewd men as they are reputed to be, will have little difficulty in sifting the wheat from the chaff. They are fully competent to deal with the economies of the case, and at least one of them has had experience in currency stabilisation elsewhere. Many of the arguments to come before them will no doubt bear a familiar ring; we must trust the Commissioners to assess these at their true worth. There will, of course, be special points affecting the peculiar position of the Colony, but even these should yield to considerations of basic principles. Those who seek to make a joke of the problem are doing the Colony a disservice, are contributing nothing worth while to the discussion, and are certainly not helping the Commission in its arduous task.

London in the Future.

Glimpses into the future never fail to attract attention and interest, whether the picture is drawn by an imaginative novelist or an architect of advanced ideas. Much that was fascinating, for instance, was contained in the sketch which we published recently, revealing some of the strange wonders to be expected in London of the future. Mr. Bernard, the designer, an architect of considerable note, expressed a belief, in the accompanying article, that the great metropolis will be largely re-planned in the next 25 years, that the standard height for buildings will be 500 feet. Instead of the present maximum of eighty feet, that double-deck roads will appear, the upper decks for pedestrians only, and that thirty per cent. of the city area will be devoted to thoroughfares and other open spaces. All the elements of the fantastic were present in Mr. Bernard's dream of the future, yet his ideas gain an unexpected support from the Greater London Regional Planning Committee, which has just issued an interim report. The Committee does not consent to the sweeping away of famous monuments of past ages, such as St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, and the Houses of Parliament, but on the essential characteristics of the city of the future, Mr. Bernard and the Committee are in close agreement. They agree that it will be a lighter and brighter place; that overcrowding will have ceased; that industries will be removed to more convenient sites; that big satellite towns will be constructed, far from the City judged by present transport standards, but brought within twenty or thirty minutes of the centre of the new London by the traffic arrangements of the future; and that great stretches of open country will break up the gloom of London as it exists to-day. These are the ideas of people who will play an important part in the building of the London-to-be, and the actuality, therefore, may not be so far off as is generally supposed.

The Mahomedan Festival of Id-z-Zuha is being observed to-morrow. Heads of Government departments and firms are asked to grant a holiday to their Mahomedan employees.

DAY BY DAY

CHARITY IS THE PERFECTION AND ORNAMENT OF RELIGION.—Addison.

One case of typhoid and one of cerebro-spinal meningitis were reported to the health authorities yesterday.

The many friends of Mr. J. H. Taggart will be pleased to learn that he is progressing satisfactorily after an operation for appendicitis at the Peak Hospital on Sunday morning.

H.E. the Governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir Cecil Clementi, is returning to Malaya by the Rawalpindi which is due to arrive at Singapore on June 13. His Excellency and Lady Clementi went home on leave on Oct. 17.

The return of notifiable diseases for last week shows five cases of diphtheria (two deaths), two of small-pox (one death) and two of typhoid fever (one death). There were also forty-five deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

Domestic troubles are said to have led to Ngan-mul (22), a married woman living at 47, Reclamation Street, Yau-mat, to make an attempt on her life by swallowing opium. She was discovered in an unconscious condition yesterday and taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

Chan Shing was ordered to receive twelve strokes of the cane by Mr. Hamilton, at Kowloon this morning, for having stolen five pounds of butter from the 41 Company, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' mess at Hankow Barracks. The accused had been employed there as a mess "boy" for three months.

Chan Young is being searched for by the police in consequence of a complaint laid by Yu San, living at No. 9, Pottinger Street, that Chan Young had wrongfully withheld a sum of \$105 entrusted with which to him to buy steamship tickets to Singapore upon his representing that he was a fook of a boarding house and was in a position to obtain a rebate.

The two new "P" Class submarines, Pandora and Proteus, which were damaged whilst coming out from Home, are due to arrive here on May 4. They left England together with the Poseidon and the Perseus, which have been in Hongkong for sometime, but they collided off Gibraltar where they have had to undergo repairs. H.M.S. Vindictive, bringing naval reliefs, arrived over the week-end.

A splendid concert in aid of the St. John Ambulance Brigade is to be held at King's College on Saturday night. Besides a farce entitled "Rink Magic," there will be vocal and instrumental items, those contributing including the Male Voice Choir of the South Wales Borderers, the Beethoven String Quartette, Mrs. Sanger, Mrs. Valentine, Dick Barry, Messrs. Winman and True, Mr. Li Chor-ehi and Mr. H. G. Anniss.

Six Chinese were charged before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, with having stolen away on the 25th of September, the first five pleaded guilty and said they had tickets, but were convicted after the Second Officer had said that they did not possess tickets when searched. Each was sentenced to two months' hard labour. The sixth man received six weeks' imprisonment.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that the Chinese depression has moved into the Sea of Japan. The Indo-China depression is stationary.



"Oh, let's forget it, Dad—it's a darn nice present anyhow, and I'll probably get used to the colour."

AIR LINERS TO SPAN TWO OCEANS.

By DOROTHEA KAHN.

It sounds like a Jules Verne fantasy but in Akron, Ohio, it is regarded simply as the sober plan of a well-established business, all ready for launching.

Ships the length of an ocean liner are to take to the air, make weekly flights across both oceans, not for adventure but for service, taking the full responsibility of carrying passengers and the United States mails.

Romantic as the plan appears, some of the larger industries and long established financial concerns of the United States, like Goodyear of Akron and the National City Company of New York, are behind the venture and are represented in two companies which have been organized for trans-oceanic airship service.

Their carefully reckoned plans open up fascinating possibilities in the near future. A French diplomat in Washington, deciding to talk things over with the home government, may speed by taxi to the nearest inland "dock," climb a ladder to a moored dirigible and two evenings later find himself comfortably seated in his favourite Paris restaurant presenting his problems to his chief over a "lillet champagne."

Or a cosmopolitan lady may choose to sit over to a week-end party in London, racing back in two and a half days to keep a concert engagement in Philadelphia. A California business man may decide to take a week off to "wing" over the Pacific, for a day in Honolulu and be back at work the next Monday morning.

Plan in Practical Stage.

Anyone who likes to ride over or around storms instead of through them, who appreciates having transportation time cut in half, and who has \$1,000 or so to buy a ticket, is a prospective passenger for the air lines, the company head believes. So convinced is Paul W. Litchfield, Akron rubber manufacturer, of the feasibility of transoceanic passenger service by dirigible that he has taken a leading part in the organization of two companies, one to handle the Atlantic service, in co-operation with the German Zeppelin Company, headed by Dr. Hugo Eckener; the other an all-American company, called the Pacific Zeppelin Transport Company, Ltd., designed to link aerially the west coast with Honolulu, the Philippines and the Orient.

Speaking as head of these companies Mr. Litchfield promises to have passenger airships flying in three years after the United States Government gives its "Ready, get set, go." This startling signal is in the nature of a merchant aircraft act, which the companies expect to see passed in the next session of Congress. Bills were given thorough study by committees in both houses of the session just closed.

A visit to Akron assures one of the nearness of aerial transportation across the two seas. The largest airship ever built, a navy order, is nearing completion here. Although intended for military purposes, the U.S.S. Akron is actually an important step toward realization of the first merchant airship. When it is finished and the second navy ship, now on order, is completed, the company will have passenger airships flying in three years after the United States Government gives its "Ready, get set, go."

As for actual performance, the airship of to-morrow will be far more nimble than the steamship, the designers explain. A tilting propeller has been perfected on the Akron which enables the vast ship not only to go backward and forward, but to rise or drop vertically under control at a 45-mile speed. The normal travelling rate of the commercial ship is estimated to be from 80 to 90 miles an hour.

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der, is completed, the company will have the experience and staff necessary to go ahead on a commercial basis, its executives declare. Moreover, it has helped the company to take a big step in solving certain technical problems, according to Dr. Karl Arnstein, chief engineer and vice-president of the Goodyear Zeppelin Corporation. Because it is itself nearly twice as large as the globe-encircling Graf Zeppelin, it has bridged the way to the design of still larger ships which will be needed to make the commercial lines pay.

The Ship of the Future.

The first commercial ship, the Goodyear Zeppelin executives figure, will have a helium gas capacity about 1,000,000 cubic feet greater than that of the Goliath now in the dock here. The length of its frame, holding the lifting gas chambers, would be a little greater than that of the Mauretania or the Ile de France. And that is big! The Akron is so vast in its duralumin bulk that 400 men working on it seem lost in the maze of airy metal work, like the Lilliputians swarming over Gulliver.

Just where to put the limit in size of the merchant airship of the future is not known even to Dr. Arnstein. He said the merchant ship might easily be double the size of the Akron, for, unlike airplanes, airships gain in efficiency as their size increases, up to a point which has not yet been determined.

The merchant Zeppelin will have cabin space for 80 passengers and some 25,000 pounds of mail and express. There will be glassed-in promenades; deck windows will swing out in a V shape from the lower sill, so passengers can look down upon the billows below.

Sketches have been made of the staterooms and saloons which hint of aerial luxuries. While the dining room looks much like any other, this one may have furniture of aluminium to keep from adding weight. And if furniture, perhaps aluminium "silverware" and paper tablecloths.

The engines, as in the Akron, will be built within the hull, it is expected. Catwalks, protected with ropes like those of a suspension bridge, will enable the crew to visit the eight engines and every vital part of the ship for regular inspection. There will be a flying machine shop at hand for repairs.

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Too Tame, Old-Timer Says.

So much of the hazard has been taken out of airship flying, according to W. T. Van Orman, world champion balloonist, now chief meteorologist of the company, that it hardly attracts the sportsman.

Mr. Van Orman, explaining the safety of Zeppelin travel, cannot resist a sigh for the old days of the free balloon, "when you got into your basket with no assurance at all of what country you would land in." He used to fly that way. On one of his flights his balloon was struck by lightning and exploded, but he invented a lightning arrester so it wouldn't happen again. On another trip in a free balloon race.

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TRAFFIC DAY IN COURT.

DANGEROUS & NEGLIGENT DRIVING.

FINES ON OFFENDERS.

Instances of dangerous and negligent driving were mentioned in the usual batch of traffic summonses heard by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. R. L. Marshall was alleged to have driven his motor cycle No. 1140, at 35 miles an hour along Queen's Road East, shortly after noon on April 11, the speed being a danger to the public. The defendant said he did not realise he was going so fast until he was stopped.

A fine of \$25 was imposed. When a driver of one of the Hongkong Tramway buses pleaded guilty to a summons accusing him of driving his vehicle at a dangerous speed from Ah King's slipway to the Whitfield Market, it was stated that a European lady passenger on the bus intimated to Sergeant Guild that the driver had been speeding all the way from town. Just before being stopped by the officer, the bus had been travelling at 30 miles an hour.

The defendant was fined \$20, a good record being taken into consideration.

On a charge of negligent driving on the Pokfulam Road, near Mount Davies Road, the driver of a motor lorry was fined \$25, it being stated that he cut in on a head between two vehicles which were approaching in opposite directions. The defendant was travelling at about 30 miles an hour at the time.

Failed to Report.

A Siamese driver, Pheng Pansop, in the employ of Dr. K. S. Shin, appeared on a summons of failing to report an accident in which a car driven by the defendant was involved in Arsenal Street on April 10.

According to Inspector Alexander, the defendant was driving Dr. Arthur Woo in car No. T.209 in Arsenal Street at 11 a.m. on April 10 when he knocked down a child, who was subsequently taken to Hospital for treatment of her injuries. The police were not informed of the accident until that evening, when the child's father reported the matter to No. 2 Police Station. Enquiries were made and it was found that Dr. Woo's car had been the vehicle involved.

Apparently the driver had been told by Dr. Woo that it was not necessary to report the incident, as the child had not been seriously injured. A week after the accident, Dr. Woo saw the police about the matter.

The defendant said he was employed by Dr. K. S. Shin and was merely driving Dr. Woo's car that day. After the accident, Mr. Woo told him it was not necessary to report the matter to the police. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

Dirty Public Car.

When the driver of a public car was summoned for not maintaining his vehicle in a clean condition, his Worship remarked that summonses of that nature did not come up often.

Inspector Alexander informed his Worship that public vehicles were examined weekly and if found to be dirty or anything wrong with them the owners were notified to have them cleaned. In the present case the owner was informed but he took no notice of the warning from the police.

The defendant was fined \$5.

NEW GOVERNOR OF FALKLANDS.

FORMER LABOUR M.P. FOR THE POST.

London, Apr. 27. Captain Sir James O'Grady, K.C.M.G., former Governor of Tasmania, has been appointed Governor of the Falkland Islands, in succession to Mr. Arnold W. Hodson, C. M. G., who was recently appointed Governor of Sierra Leone.

Sir James O'Grady, who was born in 1866, was a member of the Bristol Town Council from 1897 to 1899, Labour M. P. for East Leeds in 1906 and for South-East Leeds from 1918 to 1924. He was services in various theatres of war from 1915 to 1918, and in 1917 was sent by the Government on a special mission to Russia. In 1919, he negotiated with the Soviet Government for the exchange of British prisoners of war and the repatriation of British civilians. He was appointed Governor of Tasmania in 1924, being knighted the same year, and only recently gave up the post.

Formerly, he was Secretary of the National Federation of General Workers, and in 1928 was President of the Trades Congress, Bristol. In 1918, he was allocated for special recruiting work in Ireland.

STOWAWAY'S PLEA IN COURT.

WANTS TO GET BACK TO CANADA.

A HARD WORKER.

Henry Lee appeared before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on a charge of having stowed away on the s.s. Bremerhaven from Hongkong to Rabaul.

Sub-Inspector Elston said the authorities at Rabaul would not allow him to land there and he had to be brought back to Hongkong. Lee pleaded guilty, but said that he came from Canada to Shanghai, paying his passage there. He was working on the Canadian Pacific Railways in Canada and left at the end of October last, when, with the money he had saved, he went to Shanghai. He was there for two months trying to get work, and eventually came to Hongkong as a stowaway, and paid for it with a term of imprisonment. He obtained some money from Canada, but he could not find work in Hongkong, and as he wanted to get back to Canada or Australia, he stowed away on the Bremerhaven. On board he worked hard, and when the vessel came back to Hongkong the Captain did not want to prosecute him. The Captain sent a note to the Superintendent of Police informing him about it, but the Superintendent was in "a bad mood" and persuaded the Captain to prosecute him.

He had a little money with him and he would appreciate it if a fine was imposed as there was a Blue Funnel boat in harbour and he could try to work his passage on it back to Canada.

Sub-Inspector Elston agreed that what the accused said was true, but the Captain, though he did not want him prosecuted, did not want to be responsible for him, and consequently, he was charged under the Vagrancy Ordinance. He had a sum of \$41 in his possession and also a bank account of \$200. The accused wanted to get back to Canada.

Mr. Hamilton: Well, that is the best place he can go to. It is a thousand pities he ever left Canada. Lee: I undertake to get back to Canada if I can get free of here, so that I can see the Captain of the Blue Funnel boat about working my way out.

On the application of Sub-Inspector Elston, the accused was remanded for 48 hours in police custody.

TRESPASSER FINED AT KOWLOON.

DAMAGE TO MILITARY PROPERTY.

Convicted on charges of trespassing on military ground and damaging two panes of glass, valued at \$150, a Chinese, Li Kwan, was fined \$50 or one month's imprisonment on the first count, and \$25 or three weeks on the second, by Mr. Hamilton, at Kowloon this morning.

Private Robert McBurney, of the Angell and Sutherland Highlanders said that about 3.30 p.m. yesterday he saw the defendant changing round B5 bungalow in the Shamshuipo Camp. Being suspicious of the man, whom he had caught on April 24 on the same spot and who had broken away from him, he arrested him. Damage to a glass pane was done on April 24, when he had heard the smashing of glass and had seen the defendant pulling out the fittings from the window, breaking the glass in the process. He found a screw driver on the defendant.

The defendant said he was playing with another man and somehow or other the pane was smashed. He did not do it intentionally.

Crown Sergeant Madgwick said the defendant had formerly been employed as a "boy" in the camp.

"JOSS" BUSINESS DEPRESSED.

RESORT TO TELLING OF FORTUNES.

Joss business at the Tin Hau Temple must have been very slack to have induced the folk there to resort to a bit of commerce, stated the police to-day when they brought into Court two Chinese whom they charged with distributing leaflets that had not been submitted to or passed by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

The leaflets were in the nature of advertisements, containing nothing beyond announcing that fortune tellers were available at the Temple.

The two men were arrested when, in distributing the pamphlets, they ventured to knock at the door of a tenant at Tung Street. This tenant became suspicious when he saw one of the men standing on the landing and the other at the bottom of the staircase. He blew a police whistle, and attracted the Police.

STORY OF THEFT OF DRAFTS.

RETURNED EMIGRANT LAYS COMPLAINT.

ALLEGED PICKPOCKET.

A merchant returned from America, named Yung Hang-fong, has laid a complaint of theft against another Chinese whom he accused of picking his pocket on the Central waterfront yesterday.

Yung states he was carrying two drafts, one for \$2,000, drawn on the Bank of Canton, and the other for \$7,000, on the National City Bank of New York. These documents together with some Canadian and United States notes and coins, were contained in a wallet which he carried in his pocket.

Walking along the Praya near the Yau-mai Ferry, he felt a movement in his pocket and turned round in time to snatch the wallet back from a Chinese who was seen holding it in his hand. At that moment, a district watchman came to the case only after the complainant had taken the wallet back and had it in his hand.

The defendant was remanded.

INDIAN AIR FORCE PROPOSAL.

DISTINCT FROM INDIAN ARMY.

London, Apr. 27.

In the House of Commons to-day at question-time, Mr. Wedgwood Benn (Secretary of State for India) fore-shadowed the institution of a new Indian Air Force before long.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn said he was now working out the details of the proposal in consultation with the Minister for Air and the Government of India.

The new Air Force would be distinct from the Indian Army.

PRINCES FLY TO PARIS.

SPECIAL JOURNEY OF AIR LINER.

Paris, Apr. 27.

The Imperial Airways liner "City of Glasgow," which was sent specially from London to Pointe Grave, landed at Le Bourget Aerodrome to-day at 6.10 p.m. with the Prince of Wales and Prince George aboard. — *Reuter.*

AUSTRALIA-ENGLAND.

KINGSFORD SMITH TAKES OFF WITH MAILES.

Port Darwin, Apr. 27.

Kingsford Smith has taken off for Koepang with the first Australia-England air mail. From Koepang he will fly to Sourabaya, Singapore, Victoria Point and Rangoon. — *Reuter.*

AIR LINERS TO SPAN TWO OCEANS.

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over France, the wind took him off his course into the ocean. With a pocket flashlight he gave the S. O. S. in Morse code to a passing steamer which got the message and took him up.

But with the dirigible, he points out, no such emergency landings are necessary. "Your ship has a cruising range of 5,500 miles and you only ask it to do 3,300. And if you slow down, the ship will travel more than 9,000 miles on its capacity of fuel. Even if the ship runs out of fuel and its motors stop it does not have to come down, for the helium gas holds it up."

Descended from a line of New England clipper ship builders and sea captains, Mr. Litchfield seems to find an outlet for his native talents in this enterprise. Himself an enthusiastic air travel, he is convinced that hundreds of other business men will quickly be won over to this style of transportation. In fact, he thinks new ocean travellers will be won, just as far more people now tour in automobiles than ever thought of owning horse and buggy. So—all up for Paris!

MR. SNOWDEN'S BUDGET.

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penny per pound sterling on capital land value.

The House of Commons adjourned at the conclusion of Mr. Snowden's speech, after Mr. Neville Chamberlain, for the Conservatives, and Mr. Lloyd George had congratulated the Chancellor on a great effort.

Tory "Promise."

Mr. Neville Chamberlain said that some of the proposals of the Budget might be worse, but others would be strenuously opposed.

Mr. Lloyd George said that one thing rejoiced his heart, namely, the proposed Land Value Tax.

This was mentioned by Mr. Snowden at the conclusion of his statement as the most important feature of the Budget.

Mr. Snowden's Plans.

Ministerialists repeatedly and loudly cheered him when he said that he meant to re-introduce the Land Valuation Bill, which pressure of business prevented him from proceeding with last year.

Mr. Snowden added that experience of Mr. Lloyd George's scheme had showed the impracticability of attempting to value and tax concurrently. Therefore he proposed that the valuation of land should be substantially completed before beginning to levy the tax.

The tax, therefore, would not operate this year. He expected valuation to be concluded within two years of the passing of the Finance Bill. — *British Wireless and Reuter.*

LAST YEAR'S HEAVY DEFICIT.

Revenue £13,000,000 Short of the Estimates.

The National Revenue for the year ended March 31, totalled £775,894,975. Expenditure came to £799,170,946.

The deficit was £23,275,971, the biggest adverse balance in the national accounts since the financial year 1926-27.

Mr. Snowden budgeted for a surplus of over £2,000,000.

The redeeming point in the figures is that there was a saving of about £11,430,000 in interest charges on the Debt, which means that this amount has gone on to the Sinking Fund, so that, as against the Deficit, may be set the fact that the actual Sinking Fund for the year was £66,830,431 against the "fixed" amount of £55,400,000. There has also been a "saving" of about £3,000,000 on the final estimate of Supply Services.

No less than £26,440,000 was expended to meet deficiencies on the Unemployment Insurance Fund.

Increases and Decreases.

As regards the Revenue itself, the total has fallen short of the Chancellor's Estimate by £15,550,000, and the following table shows, in the first column, the estimated increase or decrease in the various items of Revenue, while the outer column gives the actual increase or decrease:

	Estimated.	Actual.
Customs	+ 2,222,000	+ 1,615,000
Excise	+ 2,260,000	+ 2,500,000
Motor Vehicle Duties	+ 50,000	+ 5,573
Exchequer Share	+ 3,230,000	+ 2,410,000
Patent Duties	+ 1,870,000	+ 5,620,000
Stamp	+ 90,000	+ 50,000
Land Tax, &c.	+ 22,574,000	+ 18,621,000
Income Tax	+ 8,110,000	+ 11,440,000
Succession Duties and Corp. Profits Tax	+ 550,000	+ 760,000
Post Office (net)	+ 925,000	+ 900,000
Crown Land	+ 10,000	+ 10,000
From Sundry Loans	+ 350,000	+ 250,000
Miscellaneous	+ 1,845,000	+ 2,031,151

Appropriation from Rate Relief Fund +16,000,000 +16,000,000

Total Ordinary Revenue +45,250,000 +44,706,227

In several directions Mr. Snowden overshot the mark in his Estimates a year ago.

He reckoned that from Excise Revenue there would be an increase of over £2,000,000, whereas there has been an actual shrinkage of £5,500,000.

The Chancellor expected a further increase of over £1,000,000 from the Stamp Revenue. There has been a decline of £5,020,000.

On the other hand, the increase in surtax (including arrears of super tax), greatly exceeded expectations, while Income Tax receipts short of the official estimates by nearly £4,000,000.

Excise Duties, notwithstanding windfalls in the shape of mill-liners' estates, have only yielded an increase of £2,840,000, whereas Mr. Snowden hoped for a gain of £3,230,000.

Revenue Details.

Following are details of the Revenue Receipts:

Income Tax	£250,047,000
Super Tax	77,830,000

LOCAL RADIO.

A KO SHING THEATRE RELAY.

To-day's radio programme to be broadcast by Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres: 6.00-8.00 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co. 6.00-6.40 p.m. Variety.

Orchestral-Nights of Gladness. The London Novelty Orch. MR201. Humorous Song-In Great-Grandma's Days. Florence Oldham. DB410. Entertainment-The Isle of Hootcha Kootcha. Entertainment-I Had To Go And Draw Another Pound Out. Norman Long. DB412. Chorus-In Yee Mammie Always With Ye? Kit Keen and Male Quartette. DB418. Song-He's Been A Long Time Comin'. Kit Keen (Baritone). Organ Solo-My Sunshine Came On A Rainy Day. Terence Casey. DB428. Humorous Song-There Beant No Files on We. Humorous Song-Gooseberry Tart. Billie Richardson-West Country Humourist. MR294. Vocal Duet-Makin' Wicky-Wacky Down In Walkiki. Vocal Duet-Bathing In The Sunshine. Layton and Johnstone. DB429. 6.40-7 p.m. Octet. Perpetuum Mobile (Weber Arr. Crooke). Valse Caprice (Rubenstein arr. Crooke). Chant Sans Parole (Tschalkowski arr. Seay). An Irish Love Song (Squire). An Old Church Legend (Trincone). J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 6287. 7.00 a.m. Stock Quotations. 7.02-7.27 p.m. Band Selections. The Nightingale and The Frog (Ellenberg). The Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel). The Band of H. M. Royal Airforce. MR290.

Hyde Park Suite-Sunday Morning Church Parade-Rotten Row-On The Serpentine-Around The Bandstand (Jalowiez). The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards. DB221. Regimental March Medley. The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards. 9086. 7.27-8.00 p.m. A Concert. Duet-a To My First Love (Hamilton and Lohr) b. You'd Better Ask Me (Love and Lohr). Duet-The Little Irish Girl (Trochmacher and Lohr). Dora Labette and Hubert Eisdell. DB431. Piano Solo-Wiegenlied (Schubert and Godowsky). DB253. Song-Song of The Highway (May). Raymond Newell (Baritone). DB430. Violin Solo-Rumanian Folk Dances (Dartok-Szekely). Joseph Sziget. DB293. Duet-In An Old-Fashioned Town (Harris and Squire). Joan Foster and Peter Macready. DB202. Piano Solo-Paraphrase on Rigolotto Quartet (Verdi-Liszt). Irene Scharrer. DB295. 8.00 p.m. Local Time, Weather Report, &c. 8.05-11.30 p.m. Ko Shing Theatre Relay. 11.30 p.m. Close Down.

COURT REMAINS AT WINDSOR.

BAD WEATHER KEEPING KING INDOORS.

London, April 27. Their Majesties have cancelled their proposed visit to Aldershot for the Tattoo on May 14, and the Court's return to London from Windsor has now been postponed from May 4, which was fixed yesterday.

The recent bad weather having kept the King indoors, the Court will not return till His Majesty has been able to enjoy some sunshine at Windsor. — *Reuter.*

LATEST BASEBALL RESULTS.

WASHINGTON & NEW YORK TUSSELE.

New York, Apr. 27. To-day's matches in the major Baseball Leagues resulted as follows:

National League.		
New York	8	Brooklyn 5
Philadelphia	0	Boston 2
St. Louis	3	Pittsburg 6

American League.		
Washington	9	New York

The last-named match took twelve innings to complete. — *Reuter's American Service.*

Estate Duties	82,010,000
Stamps	20,650,000
Excess Profits Duty and Corporation Profits Tax	3,000,000
Land Tax, &c.	830,000
Customs	121,401,000
Excise	124,000,000
Motor Vehicles Duty—Exchequer share	4,026,041
Post Office—net receipt	10,100,000
Crown Lands	1,280,000
Receipts from Sundry Loans	32,800,401
Miscellaneous Receipts	34,330,533
Appropriation from Rate Relief Suspense Account	10,000,000



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E. C. FINCHER WINS SEMI-FINAL

DEFEATS M. W. LO QUITE
COMFORTABLY.

Championship form was revealed by E. C. Fincher when he opposed and defeated M. W. Lo in the semi-final of the open singles tournament yesterday, and thus qualified to meet C. A. L. Runtjahn in the final tie on Thursday. Fincher won in straight sets, with scores of 6-4, 6-2, 6-2; and from the outset dominated the exchanges. Lo made an indifferent start, from which, rather than recovering, he deteriorated more and more as the game progressed, and was a beaten man before the second set had been decided. He lost his spirit, and at the same time all his sense of stroke production, defence, and counter-attack, and allowed Fincher to win far more easily than was at first anticipated.

Fincher deserves full credit for his success, for the Kowloon player displayed real championship form, and had so much in reserve throughout the match that it is hardly likely that Lo, even if he had been on his best behaviour, would have ousted him from the triumph of appearing in the final for the second year in succession. Fincher adopted to telling effect his chop strokes, and followed them up with neat and effective net volleys. But the most surprising, and pleasing, feature of his game, was a beautiful forehand drive, by which he passed his opponent almost every time he came to the net.

The afternoon's results were:

Open Singles. Semi-Final.

E. C. Fincher beat M. W. Lo, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Open Doubles.

Paul Kong and Lee beat Lo and Lu, 11-9, 6-3, 7-5.

Handicap Singles "A."

R. H. Wild beat H. N. Anderson, 6-3, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "B."

Foley beat Holmes, 6-3, 6-2.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.

T. C. Monaghan and Mrs. James beat Remington and Mrs. Owen Hughes, 6-1, 6-0.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

Open Doubles.

C. A. L. Runtjahn and J. A. Camsbushy v. P. Kong and W. T. Lee.

Club Championship.

R. H. Wild v. A. L. Sullivan.

Handicap Singles "A."

R. M. Henderson (rec. 2/6) v. H. F. Foley (rec. 1/6).

Handicap Singles "B."

O. C. Womack (owe 1/6) v. F. V. Jensen (rec. 5/6).

Handicap Doubles.

G. Miskin and C. Blaker (owe 1/6) v. A. B. Raworth and Turner (rec. 1/6).

Mixed Doubles.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Sayer (owe 1/6) v. E. T. Dowley and Mrs. Dowley (rec. 3/6).

SERVICES CRICKET.

H.M.S. SANDWICH DEFEATS
R.A.F. TEAM.

At King's Park on Saturday, in a low-scoring match, the Sandwich defeated the R.A.F., Kai Tak, by 21 runs.

Wardle (not out 45) was the only batsman to get going. Bowling honours went to Carn, with 4 for 15, Comdr. Bayley, 3 for 15, and Wardle, 2 for 8, for the Sandwich, whilst Griffiths, 3 for 11, and Hart, 3 for 15, shared the honours for Kai Tak.

H.M.S. Sandwich.	
Savage, c Devoy b Edwards	0
Wardle, not out	45
Lieut. Medley, b Hart	6
Comdr. Bayley, c Collins b Hart	6
Taylor, b Griffiths	2
Carn, run out	6
Russell, b Brooks	0
Haynes, b Griffiths	0
Bobbeck, c Haynes b Griffiths	1
Johnson, run out	0
Myers, c Collins b Devoy	3
Extras	3
Total	68

R.A.F. Kai Tak.	
Brooks, b Bayley	1
F/O. Brown, run out	3
Ellwood, b Carn	4
Devoy, c Johnson b Wardle	4
Adventures, b Bayley	2
Edwards, b Carn	6
Haynes, b Carn	4
Slattery, c and b Wardle	4
Collins, not out	2
Hart, b Wardle	9
Extras	2
Total	47

COL. W. GRANT MORDEN, M.P.

A RECEIVING ORDER.

It was announced in the *London Gazette* recently that a receiving order in bankruptcy has been made against Lieut.-Col. Walter Grant Morden, Conservative M.P. for Bedford and Chiswick since 1918, lately carrying on business at 1, Regent-street, W.

The order has been made on a creditor's petition which was filed on July 23, 1930. The first meeting of creditors took place in London on April 1, and the public examination is fixed for May 22.

Mrs. Grant Morden told a reporter last night that her husband was abroad. "I am expecting him back within the next two weeks," she said, "and I am confident that everything will be cleared up satisfactorily."

Col. Grant Morden was at one time a director of a number of companies, including Odhams Press, the British Empire Steel Corporation, the Dominion Steel Corporation, Canada Steamship Lines, and the former Lancashire and Cheshire Insurance Company. For several years, however, he has not been a director of any company.

One of his biggest ventures was the flotation of the British Cellulose and Chemical Manufacturing Company, which eventually had a capital of £5,000,000.

BRITONS & GERMANS.

OFFICERS OF CRUISER
EMDEN ENTERTAINED.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

A function of the greatest significance to Shanghai's international community took place to-day, when the Zero Club, comprising British ex-Servicemen who volunteered for the Great War from Shanghai, entertained the officers of the German cruiser Emden, now visiting the Port.

The President of the Zero Club referred to the courteous and chivalrous way in which the original Emden had done her duty, and, now that bitterness and misunderstanding had passed, he could say to the Emden "Pass friends; all's well."

Captain Witthoef, who was an officer on the original Emden under Captain Muller, and the German Consul-General, replied, and said they regarded the gathering as a sign of the growing friendship and mutual appreciation of former adversaries.—*Router*.

KOWLOON TEAM.

The following have been selected to represent the 1st Eleven K.F.C. v. H.K.F.C. on Thursday the 30th inst. Kick off at 5.15 p.m. sharp. F. Angus; Martin, Downman; Hedley, Caplin, Bliss, Pile, Dooling, Gillott, Grice, Wood, Jansen. Reserves—Eastman, L. Williams.

LADIES' BASKETBALL.

CHINESE WIN IN A MATCH
WITH CLUB DE RECREO.

Following a keen contest, in which members of both teams displayed much enthusiasm in their first friendly basketball match played between lady members of the Club de Recreo and students of Mui Fong Girls College, on the latter's ground, Balingkang, Path on Saturday afternoon, the Chinese team won by thirty points to fifteen.

The captain of the Chinese team, Miss Lo Yut-ho, was the outstanding player, scoring no fewer than twenty points. The visiting team put up a fine defence and played a clever all round game. The Club de Recreo players were entertained by the Mui Fong girls at a tea party afterwards.

CINEMA NOTES.

FARMYARD SCENE DEAFENS
"MIKE."

Cows, pigs, donkeys and roosters all right for barnyard but don't win any medals as sound stage "props" according to Harry Beaumont, who directed "Those Three French Girls," which will open on Thursday at the Queen's Theatre with Reginald Denry and Kim Denry in the featured roles. When he began filming the farce-comedy, Beaumont instructed the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer property department to exercise care to preserve authentic detail in the French setting. When he reached the barn scenes he found the place alive with fowl and cattle, with a scattering of cats, dogs and pigs.

In the middle of a scene a hen began the celebration of the birth of an egg, the donkey brayed for food and the cow mooed an accompaniment for the pigs' grunts. Beaumont congratulated the "prop" men on his fidelity to detail, but was obliged to wait for quiet moments to record the dialogue. Included in the cast of the Comedopolis farce-comedy were Clive (Ukulele Ike) Edwards, Yola d'Avril, Sandra Havel, Edward Brophy, George Grossmith and Peter Gawthorne.

The story, with dialogue by P. G. Wodehouse, the well-known humourist, was a riotous account of the adventures in Paris of the nephew of a British earl, who boisterous attempts at having a good time land him in jail, where he finds himself in company with two slightly inebriated American and three charming French damsels, who have been put behind the bars for throwing flower pots at their landlord in the heat of an argument.

The ingenious manner in which the frolicsome nephew gets the entire group out of jail and their reception by his utterly bewildered uncle, are incidents, which ends in romance and happiness for all concerned.

"Billy the Kid."

Two young Boy Scouts of Cedar City, Utah, are now the centre of admiring glances from the fellow-Scouts of their town. For they've "been in the movies." King Vidor used the two youngsters, twelve and fourteen years old, to signal his cameramen, situated four thousand feet above him on a towering cliff of the Zion National Park, for scenes in "Billy the Kid," now at the Queen's Theatre.

As it was four miles up a steep trail to the cameras, hours of time were saved by using the scouts and their zig-zag flag code.

The boys carried the suggestion of the chief cameraman, on the cliff, to Vidor, below, as to whether a thousand head of cattle should be driven by the road or the river. The choice was left to the cameraman, for only he could tell the light conditions at his elevated post. The decision was "by the road" and the scouts dragged Vidor the instructions accordingly.

The scene with the immense herd of cattle, a section of the life of the most discussed character of the old wild west, the fast-shooting William Bonney alias Billy the Kid.

"The Kid" is interpreted in the picture by John Mack Brown while Walter Haver plays Sheriff Garrett. Kay Johnson has the feminine lead and Karl Dane is seen in a comedy characterization.

Essay Competition.

The final showing of "Tom Sawyer" took place at the King's Theatre yesterday, and no reminder should be given that entries for the essay competition (open to students and persons under 20 years of age) close to-morrow night. As has already been announced, the idea behind the competition is to leave to the younger people who saw it just what they thought of it as a film. It is not required that competitors should send in a masterly literary effort—just a plain essay of about 500 words telling what they thought of the picture. The first prize is a gold medal and other prizes will be awarded by merit.

"The Benson Murder Case" "Murder" is the strongest word in the English Language, according to the man who has made profitable use of it, S. S. Van Dine. He points out that Henry when spelled backwards it has a menacing meaning, then it becomes "red rum," and hints of violence and passion.

Van Dine is the author of one of the most successful series of mystery-detective stories ever written. Three of them have been filmed, the latest being "The Benson Murder Case," is showing for the last time to-day at the Central Theatre. William Powell again plays the part of Philo Vance in "The Benson Murder Case."

So "murder" has a gripping significance for everybody that he has incorporated it in the title of every one of his novels. He is now reported to be at work on another "murder case" to follow "The Benson Murder Case," "The Light of Western Stars."

Two cameras and a microphone are the "heroes" of Richard Arlen's second Western picture, "The Light of Western Stars," which will show at the Central Theatre, starting to-morrow for three days. One big scene called for the filming of a wild horse stampede, with cameras and microphones concealed all along the proposed route to record the scene in sound and picture. The five hundred horses got out of control of the cowboys, swayed toward a clump of bushes where a microphone and two cameras were concealed. The cameramen leaped to safety; the horses cleared away revealing a tangled mass of camera and microphone mechanism. Inspection revealed that the film was intact. The instruments had photographed and sound-recorded the scene until the

AN ALLEGED ERROR OF \$360,000.

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diff liable for an amount of over half a million dollars. In one authority, he continued, it was held, in the House of Lords, that not only was the passbook prima facie evidence against the bank, but, when the customer sent it back, if it was incorrect, it was also prima facie evidence against him, so it cut both ways.

In the present case, he went on to say, the account had been delivered by the bank as a result of Mr. Justice Wood's order, being a copy of the bank's books, and that account was prima facie evidence against the bank. Both the bank and plaintiff acted on those books, and the plaintiff had no reason to believe that his liability to the bank was reaching the vicinity of \$500,000.

Mere Stroke of Pen.

If, he said, the argument of Mr. Sheldon was to be accepted, it would mean that a bank would be able to wipe out credit balances with a stroke of the pen but leave the debit balances intact, thus putting the customer in a most unfortunate position. It was obvious, in the present case, that it never entered plaintiff's head that he was increasing his overdraft to \$500,000.

The bank's books were conclusive against them until they proved, if they could, that an error had been made, and if they did so, then they could recover their money or set the error right whichever they cared to do. However, in the present action, they were not concerned with who was going to recover, the matter being on whom rested the onus to start proceedings and prove their case.

There was nothing in law to show that the fact of Mr. Biggar making those reversals of entries, months after the transactions took place, threw the onus on to the plaintiff, and that plaintiff had to show that the reversals were wrong. If the Court were engaged in actually hearing the case itself, then he would submit that judgment must go to plaintiff.

Where the Error Was.

Counsel pointed out that if there was an error, it was between the comptroller of the bank and the cashier of the bank, and such an error was no concern of plaintiff. He distinguished this as from a case in which there was an error between the customer and the bank.

Dealing with the issue, Mr. Potter pointed out that it was raised on the account itself by the bank, inasmuch as credits to plaintiff were shown; but Mr. Biggar had filed an affidavit explaining that those amounts had been wrongfully credited. At once there was an issue in fact, and it was raised by the other side. Mr. Sheldon had said it was for plaintiff to prove his deposits; but the deposits were shown on the account which was ordered to be filed by the other side, and there was nothing to prove in that connexion.

After Mr. F. C. Jenkin had briefly addressed the Court on other aspects of the case, Mr. Sheldon replied and the case is proceeding.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED
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The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penbreath and Co.

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December 1931 1.43 down 3 pts.

MECHANIC SENT TO PRISON.

THEFT OF MOTOR ENGINE
PARTS.

For the theft of car engine parts, Chan Sam, a mechanic employed at the Lancha Garage, Wanchai, was sent to prison for one month by Mr. Williams at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The prosecuting Police Officer Detective Sergeant Flattery, said the accused was arrested by a district watchman who saw him vainly endeavouring to dispose of the metal to a second-hand dealer at Winglok Street. The words "I don't want them," uttered by the dealer, excited the watchman's suspicion. When searched, the accused was found to have metal parts secreted on him.

Mr. Borandi, proprietor of the Garage, informed the police that the man was employed as a mechanic at a monthly salary of \$55. Why he should have stooped to steal when in receipt of this good pay, was beyond comprehension. For a year there had been things stolen from the Garage, but this was the first time an offence could be brought home.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

EXCHANGE BONUS MERELY
TEMPORARY.

We are officially informed that the General Agents and Consulting Committee of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., will, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders, to be held on Tuesday the 19th May, recommend a final dividend of \$32 together with an "Exchange" Bonus of \$10 per share in respect of Working Account for 1929, and £20,000 to the Sterling Reserve Fund, \$100,000 to Reinsurance Fund, and \$332,542.66 to Underwriting Suspense Account.

They will further recommend the payment of an interim dividend of \$18 per share in respect of Working Account for 1930, and that the balance of \$2,361,244.06 be carried forward.

They wish it to be understood, however, that the continuance or otherwise of the aforesaid bonus, in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on exchange and it should not be viewed in any other light than that of a temporary measure.

GEN. BERENGUER ARRESTED.

REPUBLICAN SEIZURE OF
EX-DICTATOR.

Madrid, Apr. 27.

The ex-Dictator, General Berenguer, has been arrested by the Republican Government.

A warrant has also been issued for the arrest of General Fernandez Heredia, who was Captain-General at Aragon under the old regime.

It is stated that General Franco, the brother of the airman-revolutionary, will defend General Berenguer.—*Router*.



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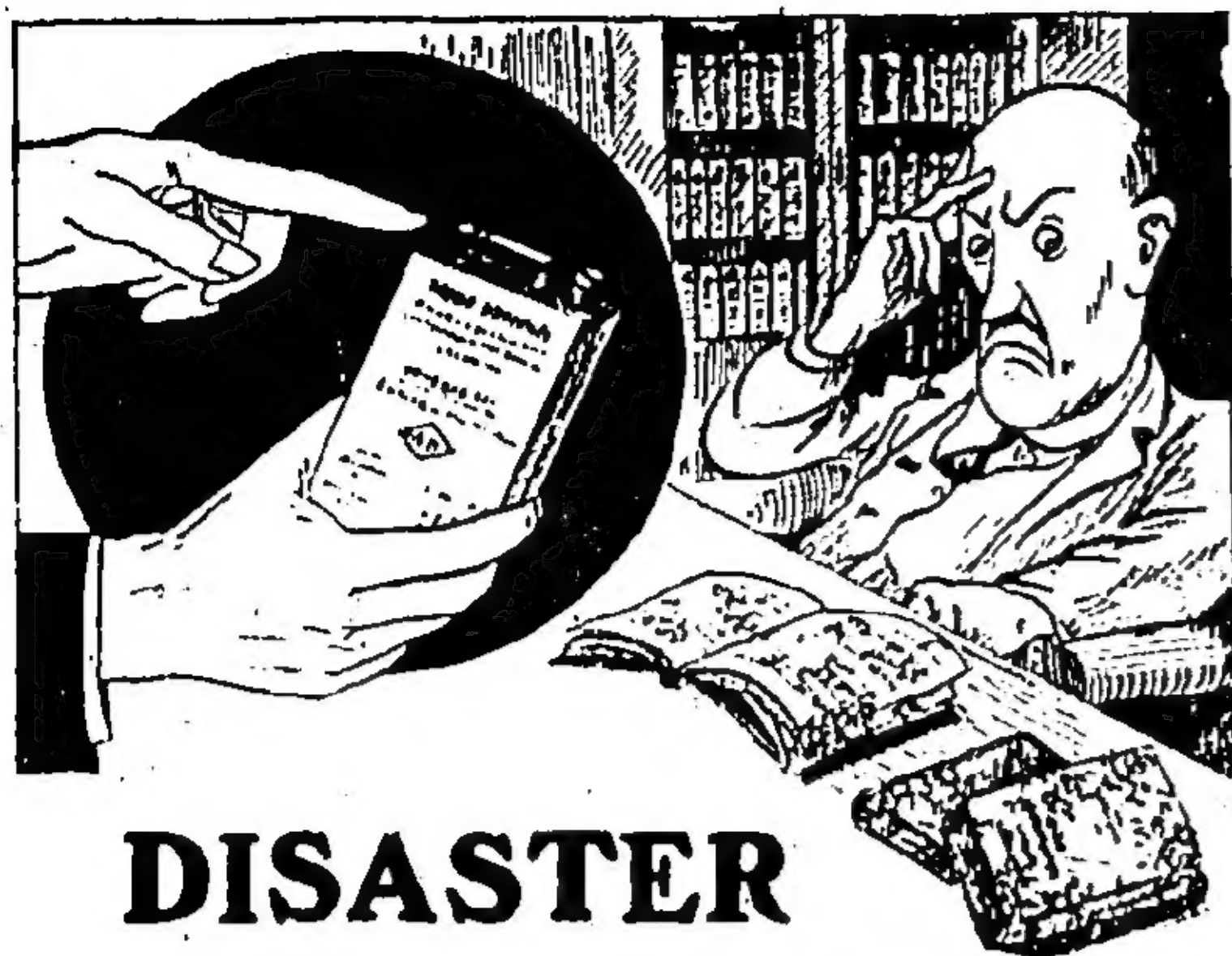
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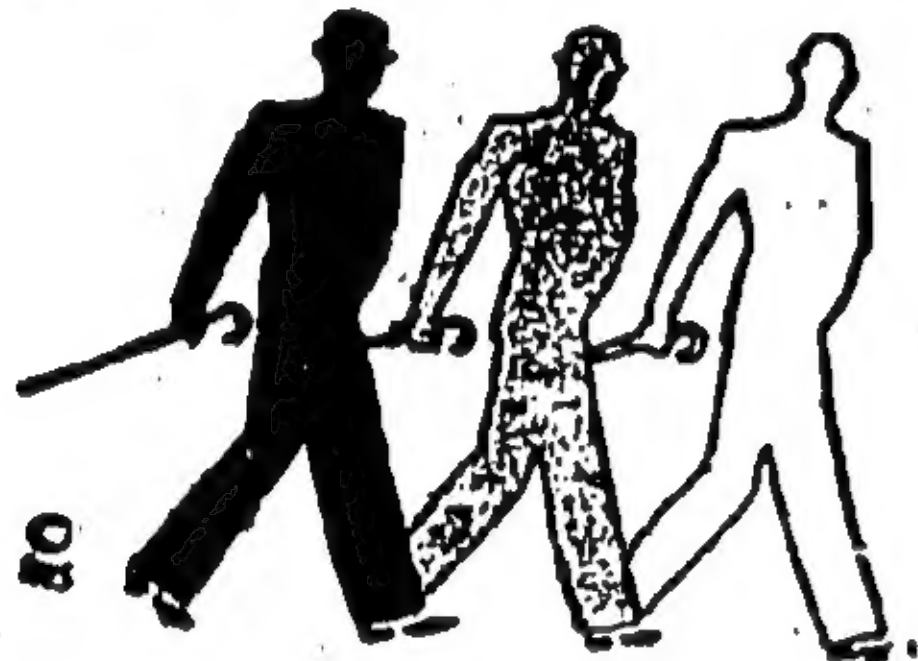
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WORLD ECONOMIC CRISIS.

THE IMPORTANCE OF KING GOLD.

PROFESSOR'S VIEWS.

Professor Cannan is not inclined to take a pessimistic view of the industrial position. "This slump," he said, "will pass as other slumps have done, although we may unconsciously be prolonging it through Unemployment Insurance and other things which strengthen resistance to movement of every kind. But we are not nearly so badly off as some people make out. We must remember that we are getting our imports very cheaply, so that we don't have to export so much as we formerly had to do. That must account very largely for the big drop in our exports."

"The real slump was started by the American Stock Exchange crash. When stocks boomed the Americans were filled with unbounded confidence, and when stocks crashed they went to the opposite extreme. They immediately thought they were much worse off, instead of realising that they were really no worse off than before. So they didn't buy anything, and prices sagged all over the Western world."

"When there is a boom people buy commodities in the expectation that they will go higher. In a slump they think that prices are going lower still, and so they stand off in the hope of getting the things they want cheaper. When they think bottom is reached they begin to buy again, and the slump ends, but the difficulty is to persuade them that bottom has been reached. A boom you end by a spectacular raising of the Bank Rate, but if you tried to end a slump by a spectacular lowering of the Bank Rate to a quarter per cent. people would only say the bottom must have dropped out."

Hoarded Gold.

"It is difficult to say how far the gradual fall in prices which preceded the slump was due to the idiotic way the gold standard is being worked. Buying and storing up the supply of gold—for that is what the Central Banks are really doing by their policy—sends up the value of gold, just as buying up houses and keeping them empty would tend to increase the value of houses. What one has to knock into the heads of the nations is that locking up so much gold does a great deal of harm to everybody, besides being expensive to them selves. Even if they only consented not to increase their hoard of gold, I think it would have an excellent effect. Let us suppose the Central Banks simply left off buying any more gold, don't you think that would make a great difference? After all, £80,000,000 of gold is produced annually."

"Dennis Robertson says, in his picturesque way, that if we don't make King Gold a Constitutional Monarch the people will soon cut off his head. Well, that is quite true. We can't do much, perhaps, ourselves, since we are not very bad offenders. But if we were to express our willingness to make some reduction in our holding, we should be better able to ask others to follow suit. The Treasury has the power to increase the fiduciary currency under the Act of 1928, if the Bank of England will take the initiative I think it is high time the Bank made use of the powers given to it by the Act of 1928."

Not Inflation.

"There has been no increase in our currency since the 1920-23 deflation, and yet the adult population has been increasing. It is surely perfectly obvious that if you keep your currency stationary while the population is rising and thus increasing the demand for it, its value must rise. Preventing prices from going down is not inflation. And the traditional worship of gold is so strongly ingrained that there is little danger of the plan being carried to extremes."

"Do I think this policy would have an immediate effect? Mind, it isn't a policy to cure the slump which began a year or so ago, but to prevent a resumption of the slow fall of prices which was going on before and was the prelude. However, the announcement of the policy might possibly provide the psychological fillip required to end the slump."

The Public and the Parties.
Professor Cannan had no good words to say either for the policy of less taxation put forward by the Conservative Party or the plan for a large development loan put forward by the Liberals. Incidentally, it is interesting to notice that, like a good many other people, he has been struck by the extraordinary apathy of the electorate. When he was a young man, he said, everybody took a tremendous interest in politics; portraits of Gladstone or Disraeli were to be found hanging up in nearly every household, and the other one of the two was the Devil incarnate. But he finds now that the general attitude is "A plague on all your houses!" "The great trouble of the Economist," he said, "is that the political parties do not live up to

TENAN MARU LOST.

FEARS FOR PASSENGERS AND CREW ALLAYED.

Seoul, Apr. 27.

In a dense fog and a rough sea the 2,160-ton Tenan Maru, from Chemulpo to Fusan, ran aground, sinking at 6.30 this morning. The fate of her 60 passengers and crew is unknown but fear is expressed as to their safety.

Salvagers are rushing to the scene of the accident.—*Reuter.*

Seoul, later.

All the passengers and crew of the Tenan Maru are safe, and are being conveyed to Relsul, in South Korea.—*Reuter.*

[The Tenan Maru, ex-Tenno Maru, is a steel screw steamer built in 1916 by the Uraga Dock Co., Ltd., and owned by the Chosen Yusen K. K. Co. Her port of registry is Jinsen].

type. The Conservatives ought to conserve; instead of which they tear down existing institutions. The Socialists ought to stand for the State against the individual, but now they are all for the individual against the State. In every local authority the Labour members always stick up for anybody who wants to get a little more out of the State. Then the Liberals. They ought to stand for liberty, but they don't, and seem to hate it. I used to think there was some good in each of the three parties before, but now they have each lost their special good quality. All of them are tumbling over each other in their eagerness to find a cure for unemployment, and all their remedies are bad."

"Do you think the burden of taxation has much to do with our troubles?"

"Scarcely. We are paying a great deal more, but we are able to pay a great deal more, and hundreds of millions paid in taxes simply are paid back to us in interest and pensions. I don't think that the income tax is a burden on industry—that is, when it is on income and not on depreciation or anything which is not income. Of course, the very high income tax and super-tax must make some difference to savings. A man like the Duke of Westminster must save a good deal less than he used to do. There has been a great re-distribution of income: the working class is getting the benefit and does not save so much as the rich did. But on the other hand, I do not think the need for saving is so great as it was. We don't have to provide for so great an increase in the future population as our grandparents, and therefore the need for saving is not so urgent."

Development Loans.

"What of a development loan?" "I can't see how that is going to do any good. How it is going to help the cotton trade. What the Liberal proposals would do is to prevent men from going back to normal work by making them into navvies."

"Have you anything to say about Unemployment Insurance?" "It advocates recommended it on the ground that unemployed persons should be able to draw from a common fund without loss of self-respect. They forgot that it is always dangerous to give anyone the right to draw £1 when he has paid in 6d. Even ship and fire insurance would be impossible if drowning and being burnt alive were rather pleasant to many people. Unemployment is now less unpleasant than it was, and the readiness of people to go anywhere and do anything is thereby diminished and trade unions are made less willing to agree to desirable alterations. Slumps may there-

BRITISH CENSUS.

BABY GIRL MAKES A RECORD ENTRY.

London, Apr. 27.

Strange scenes were enacted in the streets of London early this morning when the police, armed with census forms, made a great round-up of the homeless in order that they might be included in the nation's decennial "roll call."

The "down and out" sleeping on the benches along the Thames Embankment and in Salvation Army shelters all filled up the forms and particulars were even taken in two London churches, which nightly give shelter to scores of destitutes.

At least one murderer awaiting execution was included in the nation's count, while a baby girl, born at Queen Charlotte's Hospital just before midnight, got into the census by fifteen seconds.—*Reuter.*

fore last longer."

High and Low Wages.

"And wages?" "Well, I think it would be a good thing if we had a reduction of money incomes all round. I know there is the old, old idea that if you reduce money-wages, you reduce the purchasing power of your home market. But that is rubbish. The purchasing power of the people depends on how much they produce, and will be greater if more of them are employed. America tried what was called 'the economy of high wages' for several years, and I don't think it is feeling particularly happy about it now. Higher wages as a cure for depression seem to me pretty much like a man trying to pull himself up by his boot-strap. "Wage-earners require to realise that they are working for the consumer, not the employer. When the workman complains that retail prices have not fallen to the same extent as wholesale prices, he doesn't see that high wages are very largely responsible. Take a suit of clothes to your kitchen scales and you'll soon find that there is scarcely 4 lb. of wool in it, and yet some people expect clothes to be ever so much cheaper because the price of wool has fallen. If you reduce wages you reduce money prices, and people can buy more. You need not be anxious about dividends; they are falling all right."

The Decline in Births.
In conclusion Professor Cannan said:

"No, though I have just reached seventy, and was run into by a motorcar as I was cycling home to lunch three months ago, the proverbial gloom of old age has not settled down on me yet. I always ask colonialists, Americans, and foreigners who have visited this country at considerable intervals how it looks now compared with what it was at their former visits, and they all without exception answer, 'Very much improved.' The war killed many of our best, and the middle-aged seem rather stupider in consequence; but the young people of both sexes and all classes seem to me to be better than ever in physique, intellect, and character. The pity is that they will soon be less numerous. Thirty-seven years ago I was laughed at for expounding the probability of the increase of population in England and Wales ceasing by 1950, but I was well inside the truth. You newspaper men conceal the facts from the public by talking about birth-rates, when the important thing is births. Away back in the eighteen-seventies the annual number of births had gone up to about 880,000. Do you know what it is now? About 650,000."

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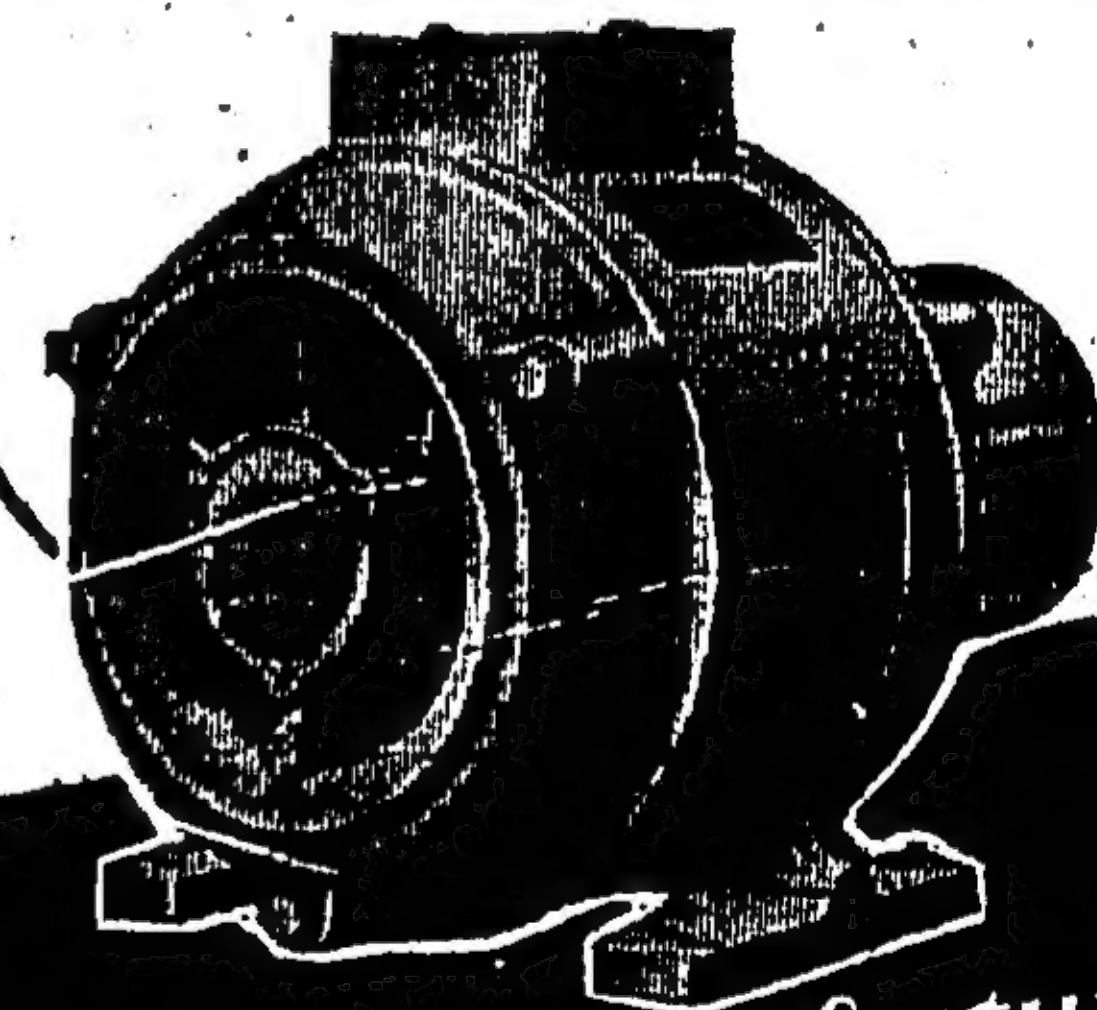
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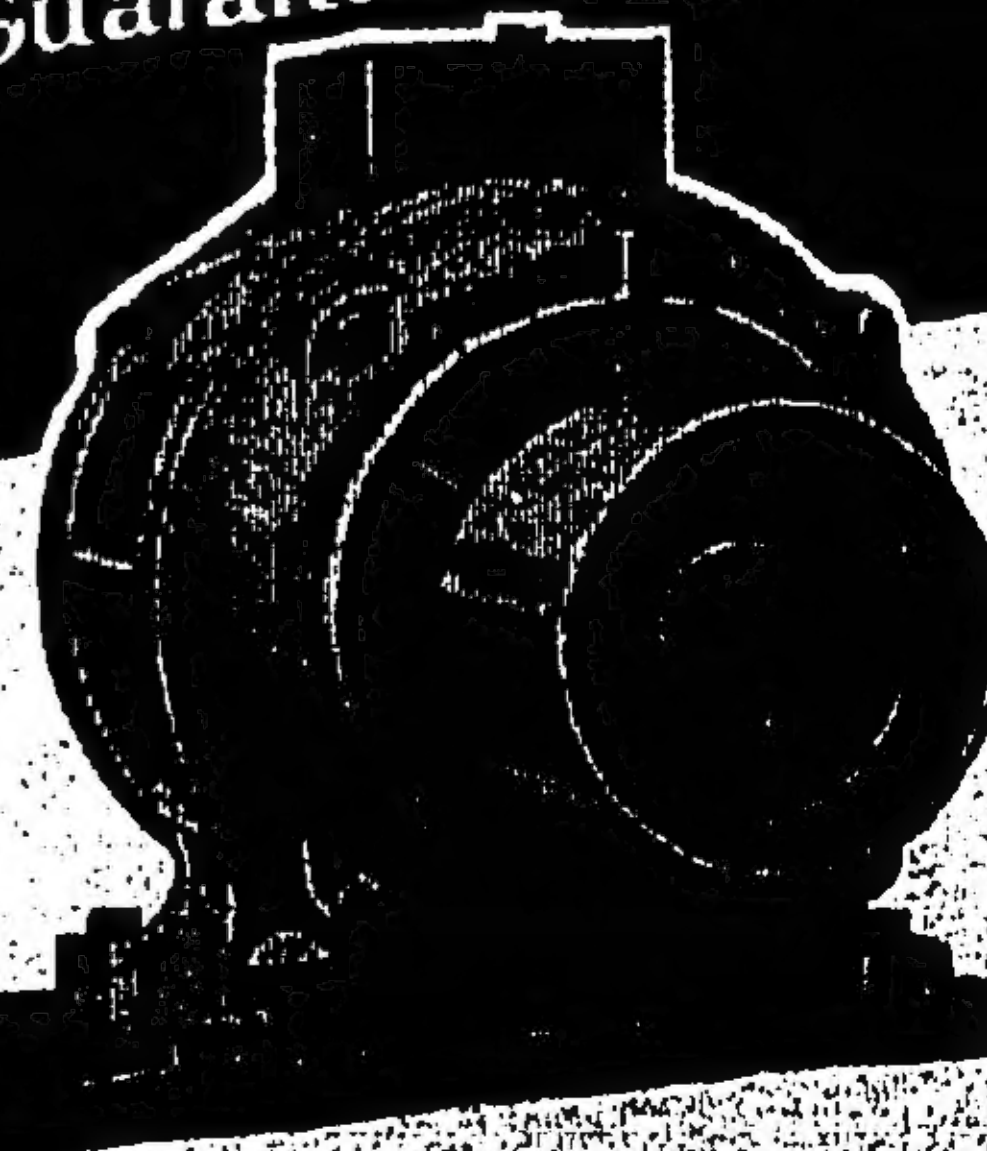
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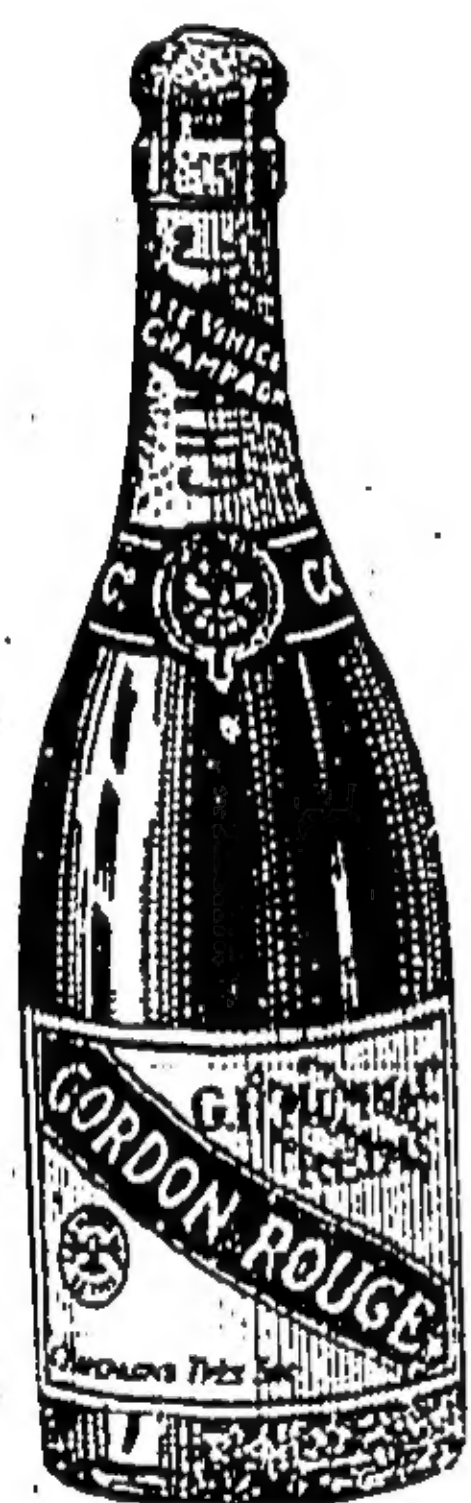
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Mad Marriage.

By LAURA LOU BROOKMAN.

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Gypsy McBride, 10-year-old typtist, is delayed at work on the Saturday morning when she is to meet the boy bringing Alan Crosby home from a year and a half studying art in Paris.

Gypsy has known Crosby since the days when both of them lived at the same cheap rooming house. The couple are not engaged but there has been an "understanding" between them.

They meet on the pier and Crosby's greeting is less affectionate than Gypsy's. She sees a beautiful woman in black waving to the young man. Crosby explains casually that this is a Mrs. Langley whom he met on the boat. Gypsy and Crosby drive to Mrs. O'Hare's rooming house where a celebration honoring the young artist has been prepared. Just as the dinner is to be served Crosby makes a telephone call and returns to say that he must leave immediately.

CHAPTER III

The afternoon sunlight, pouring into the southwest windows of Catherine Langley's sitting room, sifted through curtains of pale gold gauze and fell in gleaming yellow pools on a carpet of which ancient Persian had told. Part of the sunlight caught in the dark green draperies which reached to the floor. Part of it fell on velvet upholstery and fine carved walnut. And some of the sunbeams—a particularly favoured group—danced about the titian head of Catherine Langley who, at 34, still looked young enough and lovely enough to defy dancing sunbeams.

She was leaning back against a low, tapestry-covered divan. Her frock of sheer green crepe with delicate embroidered traceries of gold, had been cut and fitted by a designer whose name was world famous. The glowing auburn hair, swirling with careless perfection and drawn back from the ears, was like a coronet. Mrs. Langley's aristocratic face was utterly pale except for the lips which formed a narrow crimson bow. Her eyes were the green of her gown, shaded with gray.

Everything about her—from the flaming bowl of poppies on the mantelpiece to the jade ash tray on the low table beside her—had been chosen as stage properties to enhance the beauty of their owner. Mrs. Langley's expression was thoughtful. She spoke in a low, contralto voice:

"But you must see," she was saying, "how important it is for you to know these people! They have influence and they'll help you."

Alan Crosby snuffed out his cigarette and moved uneasily.

"I know," he said, "only—I'll feel like a four-flusher. You know how lucky I think I am even to get a \$50-a-week job. I'm not ashamed of it."

"But, Alan, dear, they're my friends! And you know I do so want to help you!"

Crosby leaned toward her. "You are helping me," he said. "You have realized how much you've done for me. Why, just looking at you and knowing anyone could be so beautiful is something I can't quite express."

Catherine Langley smiled serenely. Compliments pleased her.

"Then you'll do just this one little thing to please me?" she asked softly. "This one little thing—for me?"

The young man hesitated. His dark eyes grew serious.

"Catherine," he said earnestly, "I wouldn't do for you! But don't you see the situation? I've got to work and make money. A lot of it. Right away. Every cent I had I spent in France."

There was silence for a moment. From beneath lowered lashes Mrs. Langley studied the tiny tip of a green kid slipper.

"You—you mean you think you oughtn't to see me any more?" Her voice was low, carefully restrained.

It brought Crosby to his feet and beside her.

"Of course not! Catherine, you can't think that! That isn't what I don't see that's exactly what I don't mean?"

The gold lashes raised for a fleeting instant, lowered again.

"I'm afraid I don't understand, Alan," said Mrs. Langley. "Suppose you tell me."

He had taken both of her hands in his. "But I can't tell you!" Crosby explained. "I can't tell you now. It's because you're so wonderful yourself that money—all these luxuries you take as a matter of course—seem unimportant. But they are important. And they take money. That's why I've got to work. You'll let me come to see you just the same, won't you? Not at parties, Catherine, but evenings when we can be alone? Times when we can talk together the way we did in Paris! That's the way you can help me. You understand, don't you?"

The vanity which was the chief force in Catherine Langley's personality had been stirred. She raised Crosby's hand and touched it gently to her cheek.

"I understand," she said, "that you are a dear boy. Is that enough?"

The gray-green eyes were guileless. It was a part Mrs. Langley had played frequently and she played it well. Coming men in the early twenties (Crosby was 21) found that clear gaze devastating.

There was a wordless instant. Then he caught her in his arms. Crosby's lips were pressing kisses on Catherine's cheeks, upon the flaming, painted Cupid's bow that was her mouth. Over and over again he kissed her.

"Catherine!" he whispered at last brokenly. "Oh, Catherine!"

She drew away slightly. A faintly mocking, quality came into the woman's smile. She knew so exactly how to time her moods.

This young artist would not only be a handsome escort but he was proving manageable. It would all be as easy as she had hoped.

There will be other times," she reminded him, rising. "And we will have evenings together—as in Paris. But my little party this evening—you'll come?"

Crosby nodded.

"Of course I will."

Mrs. Langley moved toward the mantel and drew one of the scarlet tulips from the amber bowl. Then she turned about, toying with the blossom. She could see her reflection in the mirror across the room. She was pleased with the reflection.

The young man waited, watching. Now he arose.

"I wish I could paint you as you are, standing there!" he exclaimed. "Lord, Catherine, you're beautiful! There's no one like you!"

She waved aside his words. Always there was purpose beneath the silken exterior of Mrs. Langley's manner but that purpose was deftly concealed.

"Let me see if you mean that," she said quickly. "Will you do me a favour?"

"You know that I will."

She said him with a smile. "Very well. Then you can paint me. I will pose for you any time you say. The favour is that you are to move from that wretched downtown rooming house. Remember you've promised."

"I'll have to find a place as cheap."

"You can do that. There are a dozen neighbourhoods to choose from."

"They've—they've been awfully nice to me down there."

"Whom do you mean by 'they'?"

"Why—the woman who runs the place. The others who stay there."

Mrs. Langley smiled. "That proves you need me to see you're not imposed upon," she said. "It's only that I want you to be comfortable so you can do your best work, don't you?"

He agreed that it was not. He would move within the next few days. Anyway before the end of the week.

Crosby left the apartment with the promise to return at seven o'clock. They were to attend a dinner party with friends of Mrs. Langley.

Gypsy McBride spent that Saturday evening in her tiny fourth-floor bedroom. She had waited downstairs until late afternoon when Alan came in. There had been a few words between them and then Gypsy made excuse, something in a muffled voice about meeting friends. No one noticed that after the girl had climbed the stairs to her room she did not go out to dinner.

For three years now that room with the sloping ceiling and two rear windows had been Gypsy's home. She had moved to Mrs. O'Hare's as soon as she had been able to give up the flat in Brooklyn after her father died. Jerry McBride's insurance paid his burial expenses, one month's rent, a few scattered debts, and left \$300 in the bank. The city editor of the newspaper on which Jerry had been a copywriter for eight years gave Gypsy the letter of introduction which had brought about her employment as a typist by the Macpherson Electrical Supply Co. The business training she had received in high school was meager preparation with which to earn a livelihood, but Jerry's daughter had inherited some of her father's pluck.

That Saturday evening—alone in her dreary quarters—was one of the occasions when Gypsy had need to call upon this inheritance.

She sank down upon her favourite seat—a little old trunk pulled before the windows and covered with gay floral cretonne. The windows were closed and Gypsy raised one of them to its full height. The fresh, cool air was comforting. She took a deep breath and leaned her arms against the window-sill.

In the west the sun was shining but its light was hidden by the housetops. There was a single tree in the small square of rear yard in which Gypsy could see and a line hung with laundry. In the house across the way there were lights and a woman moving about the kitchen.

Downstairs the girl knew Alan Crosby was dressing for dinner. He had spoken vaguely of spending the evening with "people he met in Europe." Nothing at all about when he was to see Gypsy. Not even excuses. Nothing at all about when they were to exchange news and gossip as, in letters, Alan had said he was so eager to do.

Gypsy rested her head wearily against the casement. She had reached the inevitable conclusion and there was no doubt about it. Alan had changed.

That, unfortunately, was not the worst of it. The worst of the situation was that Alan had changed and she had not.

Gradually the sky darkened. More lights blinked in the opposite building and the odor of cooking food reached Gypsy's nostrils. Even then she did not think of eating. There were crackers and cheese and a jar of marmalade in the square tin box on the table across the room but Gypsy did not think of them. Neither did she switch on the light. Darkness was a blessing.

Gypsy did not know what time it

HOIFUNG REVOLT.

SOLDIERS AND COMMUNISTS CONSPIRACY ALLEGED.

Canton, Apr. 27.

Although reticence is maintained by the Government, it is reported that a serious mutiny among Kwangtung soldiers stationed in the Hoifung and Lukfung districts took place on Thursday, when a whole regiment revolted.

Twenty-six ringleaders among the mutineers who are understood to have conspired previously with Communists, entered the rooms of the Regimental Commander and his staff officers, killing three of them. Others were wounded. The arrival of a loyal regiment under General Heung Hon-ping's Division suppressed the trouble, arresting all the Communist soldiers. General Heung has submitted a full report of the outrage to Canton.

Hoifung and Lukfung were the scenes of Communist bandit activity in 1927 and 1928, when there were several outrages, involving the kidnapping and torture of foreign missionaries.

SIR ARTHUR SALTER.

LEAVING CHINA ON COMPLETION OF MISSION.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

Sir Arthur Salter has concluded his mission to China and is sailing for England to-morrow via America.

In an interview with Reuters, he stated that he was more than satisfied with the results of his mission, which represented an important step forward in China's association with the League of Nations. Practical working contact had been established, under which the League's experts would be called upon from time to time to assist in the elucidation of China's problems.—Reuters.

[Sir Arthur Salter left India early this year on being invited to China to advise the National Government on financial reconstruction and loans questions. Sir Arthur is head of the League's politico-financial department.]

AN AUSTRALIAN LOAN.

INTERNAL ISSUE TO AMOUNT OF £12,000,000.

Adelaide, Apr. 27.

Concluding that a loan is the only immediate means of raising money to relieve urgent necessities, Mr. Theodore announces that the Loan Council has definitely decided to raise a £12,000,000 internal loan, half of which will be used to assist wheat growers and the rest to alleviate unemployment in all the States.—Reuters.

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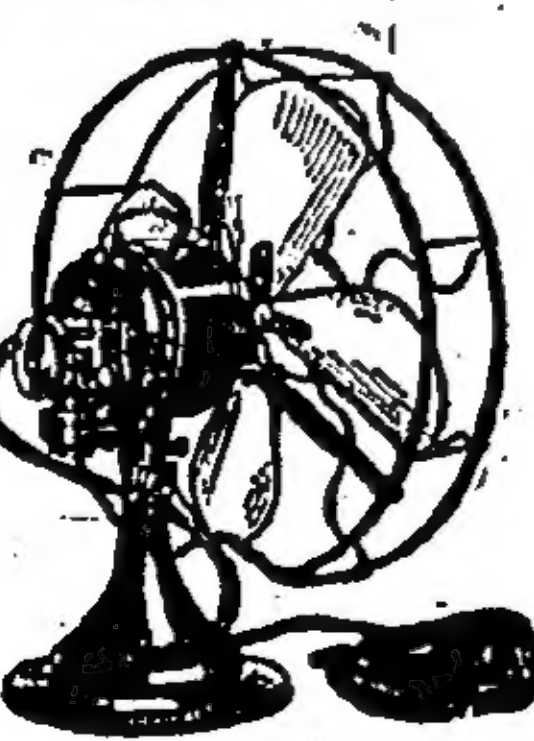
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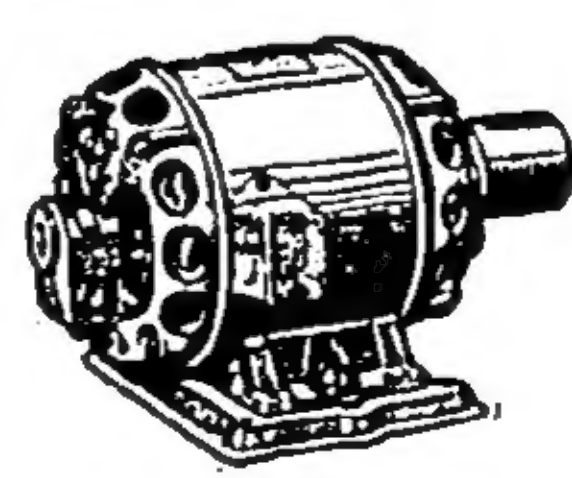
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RUMOURS OF WAR.

MANCHURIA WILL WATCH THE SITUATION.

Nanking, Apr. 27.
The Nationalist officer commanding the Second Division, General Koo Chu-tung who is on his way to Kansu, has been instructed by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to remain at Tungkuang, the strategic pass on Kansu-Honan frontier. It is believed that the concentration is in connexion with current rumours of intended insubordination by Shantung military commanders.
Much attention has been centred on the military movements of General Shih Yu-shan, according to previous Nanking reports, and this morning a Peking telegram states that General Shih has made a further statement at Peking emphatically denying any intention of causing internecine war in Shantung.
General Shih pledged that as Commander of the Shantung armies he promised every assurance for tranquillity in Shantung and Honan.
At the meeting with the Shanai Divisional Commander at Peking, General Chang Hsueh-ling declared that he could give any assurance that General Shih Yu-shan will remain loyal to Nanking. General Shih being under the command of the Manchurian Government, the latter will continue to maintain

PRINCES AT GIRONDE.

INHABITANTS OF SMALL PORT EARLY ASTIR.

Point Grave, Gironde, Apr. 27.
The Prince of Wales and Prince George have landed here. From early morning this little river-mouth port had been galvanised into unwonted activity in preparation for the arrival of the cruiser Kent, which pulled up at 11.10 a mile from the landing stage.
An official party boarded the cruiser and welcomed the Princes before the latter landed to a booming salute from the Kent's guns.—*Reuter.*

a watchful attitude towards the Shantung situation.—*Reuter.*

Shanghai, Apr. 27.
Owing to war rumours, a large consignment of munitions is being sent to Nanking. This includes 82 cannon, 2,200 cases of shells, 600 cases of bombs, 250 cases of machine-gun bullets, 1,000 cases of machine-gun bullets, and several hundred cases of other war materials. A special train, fully loaded with these articles, will leave for Nanking to-morrow morning.—*Reuter.*

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THE ATTRACTIONS OF FLORENCE.

INTERESTING LECTURE AT UNIVERSITY.

At the Hongkong University assembly room last evening, Professor R. K. M. Simpson, President of the Arts Association, delivered a presidential address on "Florence," before a large gathering, which included Sir W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University. During the course of his address the lecturer said:

This is the first time that I have ever tried to lecture on a city. And I am doing it without pictures. To lecture on a city without the support of a cinema or magic lantern may seem a vast or even foolish thing to do; but it is not done without reason.

The reason is clearly stated in a novel I have just been reading called "Juan in America." The Juan of this novel was supposed to be a descendant of the Don Juan described by Byron, and instead of touring Europe he went to America. He arrived in New York. He tells us what his thoughts were as he walked down Fifth Avenue and the adjacent thoroughfares. His words are, "In many ways photography has done us a dis-service. By showing us pictures it has robbed us of surprise. I am all admiration for what I see. I should be astonished, if I go. I should be amazed, for the like of this was never seen on earth till now. When desert dwellers rode to Babylon, or Gaulish captives saw Rome, they threw up their hands and were dumb with surprise. I deserve amazement, but the cinema has robbed me of all my capacity for amazement. I yearn for surprise, but what can surprise us to-day, when we have seen pictures of everything? Nothing."

In these words of Juan in America lies my reason for trying to lecture on a city without a magic lantern.

Photos v. Literature.

Photographs are not a good preparation for visiting a city. But works of general literature are. To study photographs cramps our expectations or gives them too much precision. But to read essays, novels and poetry stimulates our imagination and expands our expectations into the proper mood to appreciate the reality when we encounter it.

All who study English literature, and especially English literature of the nineteenth century, have their imagination thus stimulated with reference to Florence. Great stylists like Walter Horatio Pater and John Addington Symonds, were inspired by the history and beauty of Florence. It was in the family of a Florentine merchant that Keats found the situation for his "Isabella, or the Pot of Basil," or from Florence that the two brothers led "their murdered man" across the Arno; or in Florence that Isabella shed her tears over a flower in a flower pot which contained the head of her murdered Lorenzo.

George Eliot's "Romola," a great historical novel of the Renaissance, is laid in Florence. And it was at the window of a house in Florence, looking towards Fiesole, that Browning seated Andrea del Sarto and his unfaithful forgiven wife, while he bottled the minds and the soul of a man whose moral inspira-

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th April, 1931, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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having arrived from Hamburg and Antwerp, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Godown Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained.

All goods remaining after the 1st May, 1931, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's surveyors Messrs. Goddard and Douglas at 10 a.m. on the 28th April, 1931.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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tion was unfortunately not equal to his artistic talent. It is thus that literature stimulates our interest in a city.

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After naming many Florentines such as Boccaccio, Machiavelli, a diplomat, Fra Angelico, Donatello, Botticelli, Raphael, Michael Angelo, all renowned artists who

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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Hongkong 27th April, 1931.

flourished in Florence, the lecturer dealt with his own experiences when visiting Florence. He went on to say that the points of most interest in Florence were the frescoes, framed pictures and works of sculpture.

He described a number of works of art in these lines which he had seen, and concluded by saying that in Europe there were many fair cities, set on beautiful rivers among pleasant hills, with histories that went back to the middle ages and through the stirring time of the Renaissance, but none of which had the fame and glamour of Florence.

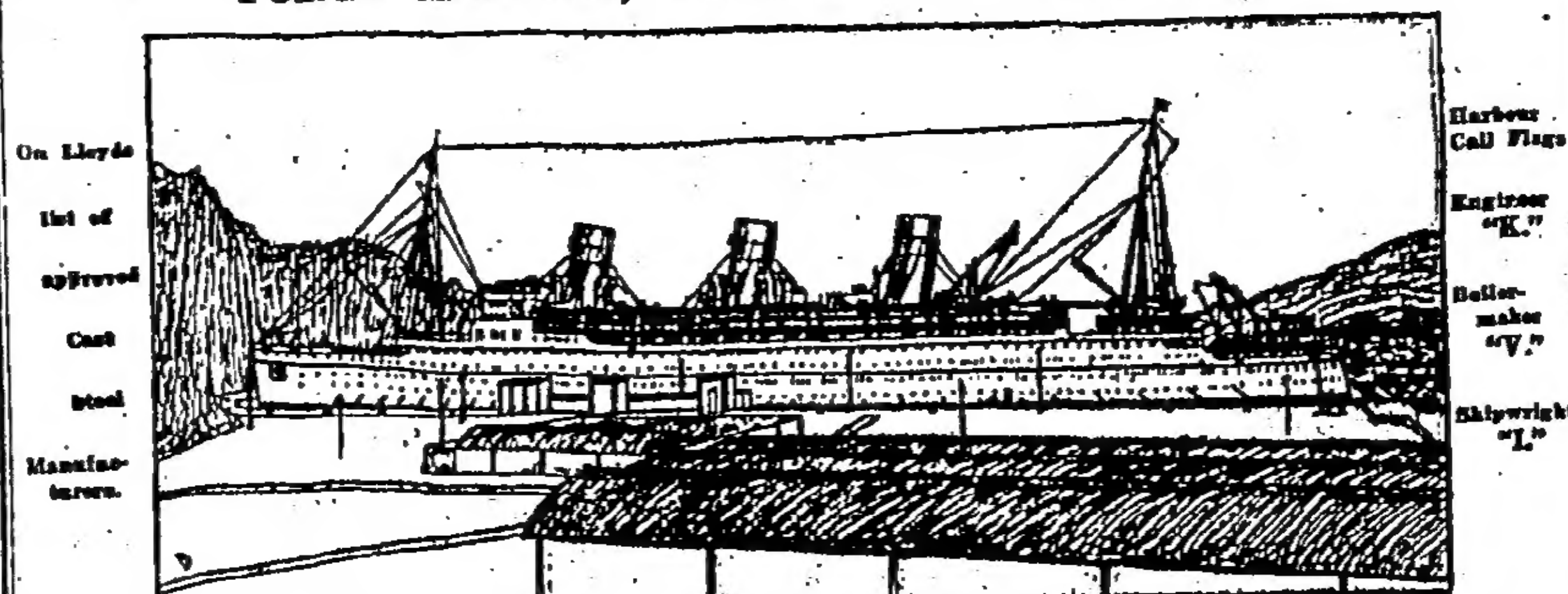
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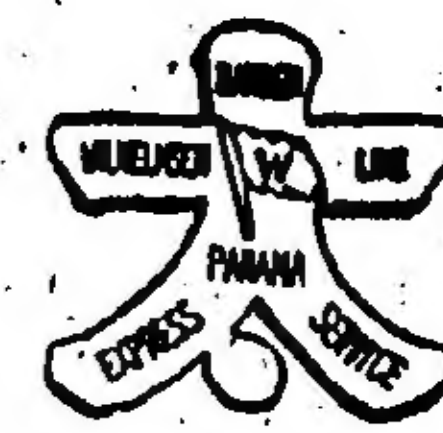
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CENSURE COUNCIL SUGGESTS
DISMISSAL.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK.

Nanking, Apr. 28.
An alarming aspect of the North China situation has presented itself following an official announcement this morning by the Censure Council suggesting to the State Council the dismissal of General Chan Tiao-yuan, the Nationalist officer commanding the Anhui troops and acting concurrently as Civil Governor of that Province.

Some time ago the Kuomintang Provincial Office at Anhui submitted a lengthy recommendation to the Censure Council pointing out the alleged maladministration of General Tiao-yuan.

The loyalty of the Anhui Provincial Government towards the Nanking Government has since been subjected to considerable speculation.

In demanding a through change in the administration of the Anhui Provincial Government, the Censure Council states that General Chan has been responsible for much exaction on the rice and salt taxes, resulting in the recent big strike of merchants at Pengfow. His drastic measures in collecting taxes on opium and his other irregular taxes along the River, together with the creation of an opium monopoly under his own control, have caused much discontent.

The Censure Council further requests the Government immediately to proceed with the reorganisation of the Anhui Provincial Government and to announce simultaneously the abolition of the exorbitant taxes enforced by General Chan.

Further reiterating his desire to preserve peace in China at all costs, General Chan Hsueh-hang has issued a second telegram dispelling rumours of grave possibilities in the North China situation, adding that he will proceed to Nanking before the opening of the National Government.

ROUBLE EXCHANGE DISPUTE.

SOVIET'S CONCILIATORY
ATTITUDE.

Moscow, Apr. 27.
In reply to the latest proposal by Baron Shidehara with regard to the fixing of the price of the bonds of the Kamchatka Stock Company at 33½ sen to the rouble, it is officially stated that the Soviet Government is doing its utmost to reach a speedy and amicable settlement of the dispute.

In view of the early approach of the fishing season, the Soviet Government has consented to accept 32½ sen as a provisional price for the bonds, provided both Governments continue the present negotiations for the final fixing of the rouble exchange.—Reuter.

U.S. ADMITS SOVIET TIMBER.

NONE PRODUCED BY CONVICT
LABOUR.

Washington, Apr. 27.
The much-heralded test case to exclude Soviet timber fell flat today, when the authorities ordered a ship-load of timber from Russia, now at Providence, Rhode Island, to be admitted into the United States.

This followed the filing of affidavits from Amtorg and Messrs. A. C. Dutton and Co. that the cargo contained no convict-produced timber.—Reuter's American Service.

HOLLAND TO PUNISH BLASPHEMY.

WAR ON ANTI-RELIGIOUS
CAMPAIGN.

The Hague, Apr. 27.
Owing to the growth of the anti-religious campaign in Holland, the Government has introduced a Bill in the Second Chamber inserting clauses of the Penal Code.

These clauses provide for the punishment of anyone found guilty of offending religious sentiment by utterance of contemptuous blasphemy in public places, or the exhibition of blasphemous writings or emblems.—Reuter.

POTENTIALITIES OF RUBBER.

GROWERS ASSOCIATION'S
ANNUAL MEETING.

CEYLON ECONOMIES.

London, Apr. 27.
"Ceylon has made a wonderfully successful effort to reduce the all-in costs of its rubber, but there is one economy which they have been unable to effect to the extent that is desirable. In other words, they still pay 57/6 per ton for rubber to be shipped from Colombo to London."

Thus Mr. W. Shakespeare, presiding at the annual general meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association in London this afternoon.

The chairman emphasised that the Ceylon growers had not abandoned hope of getting a reduction in the freight charges for both tea and rubber, but "we would renew our application, perhaps more hopefully, in the event of the Suez Canal Company meeting the reasonable demands of British interests."

Mr. Shakespeare described 1930 as the worst year in the history of the rubber industry. They had to face the fact that restriction was practically dead and they must jird themselves to meet the situation.

He was of the opinion that the potentialities of rubber for roadways was enormous. As regards tea, the restriction of which was also dead, he considered the question of tea propaganda to be by far the most important subject with which the Association is at present dealing.—Reuter.

DUTCH DAVIS CUP TEAM.

SIDE TO BE COMPOSED OF
RESERVES.

Amsterdam, Apr. 28.
Owing to the Dutch lawn tennis champion, Hans Timmer, who is convalescing from pleurisy, and A. Diemerkoel not being available, the Dutch Davis Cup team will be composed of reserves.

The players will be J. Van der Heide, O. Koopman, M. Wetselaar and T. Van Eek.—Reuter.

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